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## £1 million problem of persistent fly-tippers

By **Marijke Cox**

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RUBBISH is being illegally dumped 34 times a day in Kent at a cost to the taxpayer of more than £1 million per year.

But despite the widespread problem of fly-tipping, of which there were 12,727 incidents in 2010-11, only 40 offenders were successfully prosecuted.

The figures, obtained by the Countryside Alliance through a Freedom of Information request, only included 10 of the county's 14 councils and so the number of incidents and subsequent costs are believed to be even higher.

Chief executive Alice Bernard said fly-tipping was blighting the countryside.

"It ruins the beautiful views for which Britain is rightly famous, endangering wildlife and habitats and costing the taxpayer millions of pounds to clear up," she said.

The total cost of clearing fly-tipping in Kent was £638,414 last year, with a further £382,507 spent on enforce-

ment. However, only £6,155 was recovered through fines.

Of the local authorities that responded, those with the highest number of incidents were Medway with 3,130; Dartford with 1,921; Swale with 1,878; and Canterbury with 1,691.

Dartford council spent £92,000 on clearance and enforcement but received nothing in fines and secured no successful prosecutions.

Swale council spent £186,264 and received £3,057 in fines with just 11 successful prosecutions, and Canterbury council saw £162,395 spent in total with five prosecutions and just £1,080 retrieved in fines.

Medway fared the worse, spending £302,134 with just 12 successful prosecutions, although the council is the largest unitary authority in the South East, with roughly twice the population of most district and borough councils.

Cllr Mike O'Brien, cabinet member for

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**BIG PROBLEM:** Of the areas available, just 40 fly-tippers were caught last year

### ENVIRONMENT

#### River Darent cleans up act

THE River Darent, which flows from Westerham through to Dartford, has been named by the Environment Agency as one of the most improved rivers in the UK.

Sensitive fish species and invertebrates can now flourish in previously vulnerable sections of the waterway. **PAGE 7**

### RIOTS

#### JP hits back over riot claim

THE deputy chairman of the Magistrates' Association has denied accusations his colleagues took part in a "feeding frenzy" following the riots.

John Fassenfelt, from Sittingbourne, says the custodial sentences issued reflected the seriousness of the offences committed. **PAGE 11**

### SPORT

#### Darts wait on transfer cash

CODY McDonald's deadline day move from Norwich to Coventry will land Dartford a windfall of up to £80,000 as part of his sell-on clause.

The striker, who scored 25 goals during a loan spell with Gillingham last season, left Princes Park to join the Canaries in January 2009. **PAGE 83**

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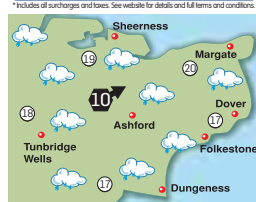
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# 'Numerous other cases are under investigation'

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community safety and customer contact, said the authority took a zero tolerance approach to fly-tipping and would prosecute any offender caught dumping waste.

"All cases of fly-tipping reported to the council are always fully investigated, and the number of reports in Medway have consistently fallen year-on-year with a 44 per cent fall since 2006," he added.

"We work closely with other agencies, including the police and the Environment Agency, as well as neighbouring authorities, to share intelligence to crack down on offenders.

"As part of this crackdown we work to make sure residents are vigilant and aware of fly-tipping and how they can report cases to the council.

"This includes raising awareness among residents that if they are paying a third party to take their waste away, they need to check beforehand that they are a licensed waste carrier."

Cllr O'Brien said Medway was one of few authorities helping residents by removing household waste, such as old beds, wardrobes and old cars free of charge.

He added: "In addition to the recent prosecutions the Countryside Alliance mentions, we also have numerous other

cases currently under investigation."

Last month, Dover council, which saw 512 incidents in 2010-11, prosecuted three men for fly-tipping in Crabble Lane, a regularly targeted site for people illegally dumping rubbish.

Lee Terry, 29, from Dover, was handed a community order with a requirement to carry out 60 hours of unpaid work. He was also ordered to pay costs of £150.

London resident Brian Abdul, 29, was fined £600 and ordered to pay costs of £150 while Nick Booton, 24, from Dover, was fined £500 and made to pay £270 costs.

Dover council cabinet member for

health, well-being and public protection, Cllr Pat Heath, said the authority worked closely with residents, businesses and landowners in areas where fly-tipping was a problem.

"This includes out-of-hours visits, CCTV monitoring and interviewing suspected offenders under caution," he said.

"Fly-tipping is a selfish activity, which is unsightly and can be dangerous to wildlife, livestock and walkers.

"The council is keen to send out a message that this type of behaviour will not be tolerated and we will pursue matters through the courts as appropriate."

## DEVELOPMENT

# Minister defends our countryside against threat of electricity pylons

By Marijke Cox

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ENVIRONMENTALISTS have welcomed a stingy attack on plans for hundreds more electricity pylons by the Government's own Defence Secretary Liam Fox.

Protect Kent, the county's branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE), launched a campaign earlier this year in a bid to stop huge swathes of countryside – including Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) – being dominated by the lines.

Campaigners said Dr Fox's letter to energy minister Chris Huhne opposing plans for the development of 150ft pylons built across his north Somerset constituency would lend vigour to their own fight.

Dr Fox agrees with the Kent group that large areas of countryside could be destroyed if the National Grid is given permission to build more overhead lines.

The cabinet member said the "short term" attempt to plug Britain's energy gap would damage sensitive landscapes

such as Somerset, Snowdonia and the Kent Downs.

"It gives us real hope that Government will rethink the energy infrastructure," said a Protect Kent spokesman.

"It's great that such a senior member is firmly on our side and fantastic that elements of the Government are thinking about the longer term impacts on the landscape by these developments.

"We can only hope this kind of long-term thinking penetrates into other aspects of Governmental policy, such as the National Planning Policy Framework, which will be incredibly damaging should it come to fruition as it is.

"We also hope other members of Government take heed of Liam Fox's thoughts, and that he helps them to think about a more long term, appropriate strategy that cares about our countryside rather than destroying it for the sake of a few pounds."

The National Grid, which is responsible for offering new connections to network operators that want to generate electricity or need a high voltage supply, said there were no current overhead schemes in Kent, but

would not comment on future plans.

Campaigners, however, say they are aware of two major power lines planned; one running from Rowden near Croydon through to Lydd in 2017-18, and the other from Canterbury to Richborough in 2019-20.

Protect Kent chairman Richard Knox-Johnston said the cables should instead be laid underground, something the National Grid claims will cost £22 million per kilometre instead of the equivalent overhead line cost of £1.8m/km.

But research carried out by the campaign group found the cost of underground lines was actually £3.5m/km.

The National Grid stuck by its argument that underground cables would be too costly and that overhead lines were quicker to repair.

"We do appreciate people's concerns about the impact of overhead lines on views of the landscape," said a spokesman. "Where we put forward proposals for new overhead lines we carry out extensive consultation with the public and statutory bodies, and we always try to minimise the effect of our infrastructure on the landscape."



**EYESORE:** National Grid insists the overhead lines are significantly cheaper

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## HOSTAGES

# Pirate pair's book tells of Government failings during their captivity

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KIDNAPPED couple Paul and Rachel Chandler have slammed the Government for not doing enough to help during their ordeal at the hands of Somali pirates.

In their book, *Hostage – A Year at Gunpoint with Somali Gangsters*, the couple say efforts by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) to keep their family informed were “derisory”.

The Chandlers, who lived in Tunbridge Wells prior to setting out on the voyage across the Indian Ocean which would end up in them being held captive for 13 months, also say they remain in the dark as to exactly who paid their ransom.

Writing in the book, the couple said: “We realise that, once we were within Somalia, the Government could do little directly to help us, but they could and should have done more to support our close family members.

“We were disappointed to learn that the assistance from the FCO was, if anything, negative.

“The support and advice to our siblings, who were always likely to be on the receiving end of begging phone calls, was distressingly inadequate. The FCO’s efforts to keep our family informed were derisory. We have not been made aware of anything helpful being done ‘behind the scenes’.”

Meanwhile, the Chandlers confirmed a ransom of \$440,000 had been paid to the pirates in June to secure their release, only for the pirates to keep the money and then demand more. The couple were not released for a further four months.

The book says: “Our family have declined to give us details about who contributed the sum, choosing to encourage our return to normal life and insisting firmly that there is no expectation of repayment.”

The Chandlers made international headlines when they were held captive for more than a year after the yacht they were sailing on was stormed as they headed from the Seychelles.

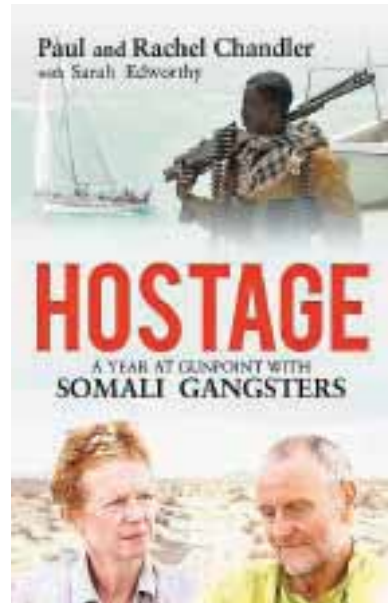
Held at gun point, a multi-million pound ransom was put on their heads as they were held at a secret jungle location. But after months of frantic negotiations, they were freed last November.

The couple had rented out their flat in Mount Ephraim after setting out on what had been their dream retirement.

Since being freed, and despite an offer from the council to hold a welcome parade for them, they instead moved closer to family and friends in Devon.

But they will return to Tunbridge Wells on September 20 to sign copies of a book charting their remarkable experience, at Waterstone’s.

Written in diary form, *Hostage* reveals the



ORDEAL: The Chandlers' book shares their story

harsh truth of how they suffered at the hands of their kidnappers, and what they did while waiting to discover their uncertain future.

Mrs Chandler describes the moment when her worst fears of a hostile attack are realised, saying: “I grab a torch and direct it at the boat. A skiff packed with shadowy figures is now almost upon us.

“Two shots ring out, making me drop the torch in fright. A jumble of arms get ready to grab hold of our guard wires, men jostling to clamber on board, guns clattering. The 16ft flat-bottomed skiff slams into our side.”

## NEWS IN BRIEF

## ➔ Burglary clampdown

A SCHEME targeting burglars has resulted in 501 arrests in just under two months.

Operation Enforce 2, which began on July 4, involved 144 search warrants being carried out by police, who detected more than 1,000 crimes.

Assistant Chief Constable Paul Brandon said Kent Police was determined to buck the national trend. He said: “Having your home burgled is both distressing and a violation, and we will continue to put these thieves before the courts.”

## ➔ Tankies draw crowds

LARGE crowds lined the streets of Maidstone to welcome soldiers returning home from Afghanistan.

Some 300 members of the 2nd Royal Tank Regiment – affectionately known as the Tankies – marched through the county town on Thursday. The regiment was accompanied by the Band of the Brigade of Gurkha Rifles as the soldiers made their way to Brenchley Gardens for their homecoming parade.

## ➔ Officers to mark 9/11

FOUR Kent Police officers will take part in a march to Ground Zero to mark the 10th anniversary of the September 11 attacks.

They will join 36 officers and staff from forces around the UK who will pay their respects at the memorial event in New York.

PC Sean Fennessey, 29, who is based at Tonbridge police station, helped evacuate parts of London following the July 7, 2005, bombings.

He said: “That experience certainly brought home to me the horror of 9/11 and what those involved must have faced and feared.”

## DEFENCE

# Fears of long-term impact on our forces due to Gurkha cuts

A LEADING Gurkha campaigner who successfully fought for equal settlement rights alongside actress Joanna Lumley has branded massive cuts to the Nepalese troops “short-sighted”.

Peter Carroll, who founded the Gurkha Justice Campaign, told KoS it was a body blow to Kent’s Gurkhas at a time when morale in the Armed Forces was already at rock bottom.

“I think it’s incredibly short-sighted. No one can understand, least of all the Gurkhas. Nearly all of these 140-150 cuts are compulsory redundancies as hardly any chose to voluntarily go,” he said.

Kent is home to the 2nd Battalion the Royal Gurkha Rifles, based at Shorncliffe, Folkestone, and nearly half of the soldiers from the Maidstone-based 36 Engineers Regiment are Queen’s Gurkha Engineers.

Around 140 were due to find out this week that they had lost their jobs as part of a wave of cuts to 920 soldiers across the UK as a result of the Strategic Defence Review.

Some 660 of those being



SAD DAY: Almost 150 Gurkhas are to be made redundant

shown the door will be voluntary redundancies. But of the remainder, more than half will be Gurkhas.

The Ministry of Defence says changes to the Gurkhas’ terms of service three years ago – bringing them into line with the rest of the Army – meant they were now more vulnerable to cuts.

Mr Carroll said: “It’s madness to cut any part of the Armed Forces, but to pick on the Gurkhas so disproportionately could have a terrible impact on their long-serving role in the British Army.

“It’s a body blow to Gurkhas in Kent. Most of the cuts will fall in the Folkestone area. It’s bad for morale, which is already at rock bottom.”

Asked why the Gurkhas were bearing the brunt of the cuts, Mr Carroll said: “Many regiments are weaved into the British military establishment and I just don’t think Gurkhas are so much, despite their bravery and loyalty to the British Army.”

The cuts will also see the RAF dismiss 930 staff, with 440 of those voluntary redundancies.



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## HEALTHCARE

# Nurses drop 'do not disturb' signs

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A HOSPITAL trust criticised for making nurses wear 'do not disturb' signs on tabards during drug rounds is to remove the wording.

It follows widespread criticism from patients' groups and charities who claimed vulnerable people would feel unable to ask staff for help.

The pilot scheme, which is now coming to an end at the Queen Elizabeth hospital in Margate, aims to reduce the number of times nurses are interrupted while handing out medication to patients to avoid potentially dangerous mistakes.

But the East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust (EKHUT) denied it was removing the 'do not disturb' wording due to the criticism, claiming it was to avoid any misunderstanding or misinterpretation by families and staff.

A spokesman said the pilot scheme – which also includes the words 'drug round in progress' – had been successful and removing the 'do not disturb' part was simply one of the outcomes.

"We've found no negative reaction from patients on wards," he said. "The criticism came from people who really should have thought it through."

"The tabards are worn for about half-an-hour, three times a day during drug rounds."

"If a nurse is handing out dangerous drugs and becomes distracted, potentially the wrong dose could be given – if too much it could kill someone



and if too little it could slow down recovery.

"If your mother was having her medication and the nurse was called to change the bed pan on the patient's bed next door I don't know if you would be too pleased."

"We also have green tabards for when nurses are feeding patients telling people not to disturb them as it is important that person is fed."

"The pilot has been successful but we have decided the tabards don't need the 'do not disturb' sign – this is not to do with ludicrous comments

made by Patient Concern that nurses can only do one thing at a time. Of course the criticism has alerted us to the fact there could be misinterpretation, but this criticism has not pushed us to remove the wording."

Joyce Robins, from campaign group Patient Concern, said the sign gave out the wrong message to patients.

She said: "Often the drug round is the only time you see a nurse to talk to them. Now these red tabards will send out a further 'get off me' signal."

The scheme could now be rolled out nationwide.

**UNIFORM:** The red tabards worn by nurses during drug rounds no longer say 'do not disturb'

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### ➔ Conman behind bars

A FRAUDSTER has been jailed for three-and-a-half years for scamming more than £700,000 from his 19 victims.

Julian Clark borrowed the money from close family and friends in Tonbridge, Cranbrook and Maidstone after claiming he would invest it in a series of money-making schemes.

The Surrey resident pleaded guilty to fraud and was jailed at Maidstone Crown Court late last week.

### ➔ Curry lovers' verdict

MADRAS is the most popular curry among Indian food fans, according to the Kent Curry Survey.

About 35 per cent of people voted it their favourite dish followed by tikka masala and korma (both 18 per cent).

The survey was carried out by bitspicy.com, a producer of spice mixes based in Marden, near Maidstone. It also found that Bromley has the most curry houses in Kent with 15.

### ➔ Island search for teens

TWO teenage boys had to be rescued by the coastguard after getting lost on the Isle of Sheppey.

The youngsters, aged 16 and 17, called for help at about 9.30pm on Tuesday after wandering around for six hours without a clue where they were. They were eventually found on Leysdown Beach at 10.20pm following a search of the island involving a lifeboat and helicopter.

## INFECTION

## Record low in superbug cases

THE hospital trust at the centre of a superbug scandal in which at least 90 patients died has seen a 69 per cent drop in clostridium difficile infections in four years.

Back in 2007, a damning report by the Healthcare Commission found a "litany" of infection control errors at Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust led to the C diff outbreaks between 2004 and 2006.

In the wake of the report, the trust, which runs the new Pembury, Kent and Sussex, and Maidstone hospitals, has taken a "common sense approach" to reducing cases of the superbug.

During 2010-11 there were 67 cases of C diff, a bacterial infection of the gut which mainly affects the elderly, compared to 220 in 2007-08.

Nationally, cases of superbugs are at a record low. Figures from the Office for National Statistics showed that the number of deaths where C diff was mentioned on the death certificate fell by 31 per cent to 2,704 between 2009 and 2010.

The trust was unable to provide figures for the number of C diff-related deaths.

A spokesman said: "Patients who acquire C

diff infection, whether in the community or in hospital, tend to be elderly and frail owing to other health problems. For this reason it is difficult to attribute death to C diff and therefore we are unable to give figures."

Dr Sara Mumford, the trust's director of infection control and prevention, said: "We have been able to reduce our cases of C diff by taking a common sense approach. We've instilled into our staff the need for good handwashing practices, thorough cleaning and being careful not to overuse antibiotics."

"We have been taking a zero tolerance approach to avoidable C diff infection and our work has paid off. We have also had superb support from the public with handwashing when visiting our patients."

The trust has also reported a decrease in MRSA cases. It is not yet among the 25 trusts in the country to have been free of the superbug for the past year, but it is close, having passed 330 days by this week.

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## ENTERTAINMENT

# Prince Edward to star as new-look Marlowe prepares for curtain-up

By Ed Hill

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THE new Marlowe Theatre in Canterbury has announced its six-month opening programme.

Theatre-goers can expect top West End shows, opera, comedy and dance on the new stage of the revamped £25 million theatre.

Director Mark Everett said: "We have now finalised the programme for the first six months and are already far ahead on ticket sales for many of the shows. For the musical *Top Hat*, which comes to us in November, we have already sold 52 per cent of the seats."

The improved main auditorium is able to hold 1,200 people, meaning the theatre can attract larger scale touring productions than before.

Mr Everett said: "Top Hat is exactly the sort of show we would not have been able to stage here before. One of the main things we wanted to do was improve the experience for people watching plays, so we are delighted the *Madness of George III* is also part of the opening season.

"The theatre's three-tier auditorium will mean the audience are much closer to the stage."

The opening gala night is being held on October 4 for invited guests, including Prince Edward

the Earl of Wessex and his wife Sophie.

The show will be an orchestral evening held to thank many of the funders and friends of the theatre who have supported the project.

For the people of Canterbury the opening weekend, running from October 7-9, will be the first chance they will get to see inside the new theatre.

A packed programme has been organised in and around the building including a mix of street theatre and dance by groups such as Loop Dance. Children's favourite Rastamouse will also be coming to entertain children on the Sunday.

Nicki Setterfield, who is organising the opening weekend, said: "We wanted to make this a celebration of the new building so there will be the opportunity for people to come and take a look at it as well as being entertained by what will be going on throughout the day. It is amazing comparing the old theatre with the new one. It's as if someone waved a magic wand."

Big shows coming to the Marlowe include the award-winning musical *Legally Blond* and puppet show *Avenue Q*, which have been requested by many locals on the theatre's Twitter page.

Other companies coming to Canterbury include the Rambert Dance Company and Glyndebourne Opera.



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**One of the main things we wanted to do was improve the experience of watching plays**

MARK EVERETT, DIRECTOR AT THE MARLOWE THEATRE

Mr Everett said: "This will be the start of a very important relationship with these companies. Glyndebourne were very helpful in helping us design our new orchestra pit."

Forty-two permanent staff will manage the building with a pool of 120 helping out part-time.

Mr Everett said: "This is a substantial jump in employment for this theatre at a difficult economic time."

The first full-week show will be Canadian circus group *Cirque Eloize* (October 12-15).

Mr Everett said: "This is the sort of multimedia show that is becoming very popular that we would never have been able to do before."

■ For more information about what's on at the Marlowe visit [marlowetheatre.com](http://marlowetheatre.com).

**GRAND ENTRANCE:**

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## PLANNING

## Public views sought as draft plan unveiled for growth in Gravesham

A CONSULTATION is to be launched into Gravesham council's new growth masterplan for the borough.

The proposals in the draft plan include some development on greenfield and Green Belt sites.

Deputy leader of the council and cabinet member for planning delivery, Cllr Lee Croxton, said a core strategy unveiled last year had to be changed

with the abolition of the South East plan, which set out a previous requirement of 9,300 new houses up to 2026.

A fresh study predicted a shortfall of between 320 and 920 homes over two decades.

Cllr Croxton said: "Some sites previously earmarked for development are not as likely to prove economically viable so we have to consider if there are sites in the green belt that

should be released subject to a set of very strict and transparent criteria that we must follow.

"At this stage the identification of these sites does not automatically mean they will be included in the final blueprint because we will consider very carefully all the comments that we receive."

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## ENVIRONMENT

# Darent back in the flow again thanks to major clean-up

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REGENERATION work has transformed the River Darent into a haven for wildlife after it once stood on the brink of disaster.

Sensitive fish species and invertebrates such as brown trout and river limpet are now able to flourish in previously vulnerable sections of the waterway, which once had the lowest flow in the country, as it flows from Westerham through to Dartford.

The river has been named by the Environment Agency as one of the 10 most improved in the country.

It has been transformed due to habitat improvement projects, tighter regulation of polluting industries and work with farmers, businesses and water companies to reduce pollution and improve water quality.

The Darent joins the Thames

near Crayford Ness. It was used for trade during the 1800s and was straightened, widened and in some places given concrete banks.

By the late 1980s, it had the lowest flow of any river in the country after years of over abstraction by water companies and industry.

In 1996 some parts completely dried up during the summer months, which had a devastating effect on wildlife.

Over the last 20 years, the agency reduced the amount of water allowed to be taken from the Darent by 35 million litres per day. The banks of the river were also reprofiled in the fastest sections to improve flow.

This work means that it can support more wildlife, including pike, and it is now classed as having 'good' ecological status.

Ian Barker, the agency's head of land and water, said: "Work that we have done with farmers, businesses and water

FLOURISHING: River Darent

companies to reduce the amount of water taken from rivers, minimise pollution and improve water quality is really paying off – as these rivers show.



"Britain's rivers are the healthiest for over 20 years and otters, salmon and other wildlife are returning for the first time since the industrial revolution.

"But there is still more to be done, and we have plans to transform a further 9,500 miles of rivers in England and Wales by 2015 – the equivalent of the distance between the UK and Australia."

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## TOURISM

# 'State aid' an unfair advantage to competitor port, insists MP

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FEARS have been raised over the future of Dover's cruise industry after another port revealed plans to attract business from its competitors.

Dover MP Charlie Elphicke (Con) has issued a formal objection to the proposals by Liverpool port to begin profitable turnaround trips – voyages beginning and ending in the same location – claiming it would not create a "level playing field".

Currently the Mersey terminal, owned by private company Peel Ports, is only allowed to take cruise ships for day and overnight trips, an agreement made when the port received about £20m of taxpayers' money for a new cruise liner terminal in 2007.

To avoid an unfair advantage, Labour made Liverpool City Council sign an agreement restricting turnaround trips – the most lucrative part of the cruise industry due to money generated for local businesses such as hotels and restaurants.

But after one failed attempt to overturn the restriction in 2009, Liverpool has once again appealed to Government to scrap the restraints.

Mr Elphicke has written to transport minister Mike Penning to formally object as part of a consultation being held to consider the bid.

"There is no problem with a bit of competition but there needs to be a level playing field," he said. "We don't get any help like that in Dover – it amounts to Liverpool port getting state aid. I'm not an expert on this, but I would imagine

allowing turnaround trips at Liverpool would be unhelpful for Dover."

The Department for Transport launched a 10-week consultation on July 7, looking at the northern port's hopes to overturn the restrictions. If given the green light, the council would have to repay the Exchequer £5.3m over 15 years. Reports suggest, however, there is no intention to repay the £9m received from the European Regional Development Fund.

The UK Cruise Port Alliance has launched a campaign to raise awareness of the issue.

The organisation, which acts as an independent voice for the industry, said Liverpool council was also proposing to spend a further £10m of public money on upgrading facilities at the terminal.

Chairman of the UK Cruise Port Alliance, Jimmy Chestnutt, said if the northern port was allowed to run turnaround trips, other UK ports could see £80m a year stripped from their economies. He said it was unfair competition as other ports had to rely on shareholders' money to build turnaround facilities.

"If Government lifts the restrictions its predecessor rightly placed, it will be allowing taxpayers' money to subsidise private sector competition," he said.

"All we ask and all that Liverpool and Peel



**STORMY WATERS:** Campaigners say it is unfair for public money to be spent on the private sector

Group have to do is pay back all the subsidy and compete on level terms."

The UK Cruise Port Alliance said cruise ships could be worth as much as £2m to their home ports where an army of suppliers, hoteliers, restaurateurs and taxi drivers are employed to serve them.

The Port of Dover said it was unable to comment on the consultation at this time.

Transport minister Mike Penning said: "This is a complex issue and I have agreed that my department will work with the council to try and identify a solution which maintains a level playing field across the UK cruise industry."

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## HEALTH

# Gay community calls for more support to cope with hate crime

By Steve Knight

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HOMOPHOBIC hate crime victims have called for better support from mental health providers in helping them deal with emotional harm.

According to a new report by the Metro Centre – a charity serving the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) community – east Kent residents mistreated because of their sexuality feel their mental health needs are not being met.

The group has now called for specialist services such as drop-in sessions, counselling and therapeutic groups to be set up in the region to ensure people are not left to suffer in silence.

Metro director Dr Greg Ussher said: "Nearly half the people we spoke to had experienced some sort of homophobic abuse, whether it was physical assault, verbal abuse or cyber-bullying over the internet.

"Some people even had graffiti on their houses and were spat on, and all these incidents are having a major impact on the mental health and resiliency of LGBT people.

"It can lead to a range of different problems, from anxiety and isolation through to more significant illnesses like depression and other conditions that require medical intervention."

The new report is the first of its kind to examine the mental health needs of the LGBT commu-

nity in east Kent, and will be officially launched by the deputy leader of Canterbury council, Jean Law, on Tuesday, September 20. It was compiled by the Metro Centre in collaboration with the East Kent Mental Health and Wellbeing Network, and funded by a Comic Relief grant secured by the Kent Community Foundation.

Representatives from the Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust, which provides mental health services across the county, will also be at the launch.

Dr Ussher said: "The report is about how responsive mental health services in east Kent are to the specific needs of LGBT people, and what we've been told is that they're not very responsive at all. They feel many staff do not understand the particular issues affecting them and would like them to be better trained in that respect.

"Personally I think there should be specialist mental health services like counselling, drop-in sessions and therapeutic groups like there are in south-east London. We get a lot of LGBT people from Kent and Medway coming to those groups, and that would be a really big step forward for east Kent."

Dr Ussher added that the report – entitled Getting the Balance Right – contains 30 recommendations on how to improve mental health services for the gay community.

"Some can happen as part of the Big Society

agenda and can be achieved around volunteering at a very low cost," he said. "We will be lobbying hard to have at least some of these recommendations implemented."



**MENTAL HEALTH:** A new report shows more than half the gay community has faced some form of abuse and urges that they not be left to suffer in silence

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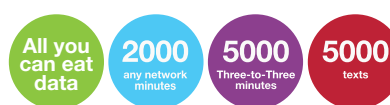
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## ENRICHING:

Schools and colleges are determined pupils will not suffer from the cuts to funding for non-assessed subjects, which will pay for just 30 hours instead of 114 a year



## EDUCATION

## Adaptation helps colleges continue with pupil enrichment programmes

By Steve Knight

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COLLEGE leaders say they are adapting to change and will not let students suffer through

Government spending cuts.

From this month, instead of 114 hours' annual teaching per student of non-assessed "enrichment" subjects being funded, only 30 hours will be.

Such subjects include the Duke of Edinburgh Award and courses in areas such as music skills and critical thinking.

But while some college and sixth-form heads have cut careers guidance, mentors, sports and even A-levels to cope with the funding cuts, others say they are providing enrichment in other ways.

MidKent College assistant principal Alan Ashfield said: "It's very important our students receive plenty of support and have access to enrichment activities, so we've had to do things in different ways.

"We've done what a number of colleges have done, and that's deliver courses in subjects like work skills, which our students can earn certificates for and which we can still claim funding for. We've also appointed a full-time youth

worker who will be co-ordinating the entire enrichment programme, so our students are not going to feel any loss."

Despite the cuts, the Government says it is protecting core study programmes and funds are being re-invested in 16-18 education.

The loss of funding for enrichment activities will affect schools and sixth-form colleges, although some of the money – about £150 million – will be used to support disadvantaged learners instead.

K College, which has campuses in Ashford, Dover, Folkestone, Tonbridge and Tunbridge Wells, is one of those affected, but deputy principal Alison Monk said students would not be disadvantaged.

She said: "We have designed a cross-college programme that gives learners development opportunities linked to employment. For example, we're identifying qualifications such as work skills that are still eligible for funding. The tutorial support scheme has also been re-

focused to ensure students are supported in their academic and personal development.

"By ensuring opportunities that could have been lost in the cuts are minimised, we're continuing to add value to the students' learning experience."

A recent report from the Public Accounts Committee urges better accountability for 16-19 education providers, including more clarity on measures the Government should take if they do not perform well enough. But it also warns that cutting funding does not necessarily make schools and colleges work more efficiently.

A spokesman for North West Kent College said: "Financial cutbacks mean there will be no budget for enrichment activities in the next academic year. These had taken place in the tutorial hour each week that students enjoyed, which will no longer be timetableable.

"But the college is striving to provide enrichment activities during student review weeks from its existing resources."

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## News

LAW

# Magistrate denies 'feeding frenzy' in sentencing rioters

By Steve Knight

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AN INFLUENTIAL magistrate has denied accusations by prison governors his colleagues indulged in a "feeding frenzy" after the riots.

Since the widespread disturbances that hit the UK last month, the prison population has gone up by more than 1,000 and is now edging perilously close to its operational capacity at nearly 87,000.

But John Fassenfelt – the Kent-based deputy chairman of the Magistrates' Association – has rejected claims justices of the peace (JPs) had appealed to a populist mentality in handing out custodial sentences to the rioters.

The allegation was made by Prison Governors' Association president Eoin McLennan Murray, who clashed with Mr Fassenfelt's chairman John Thornhill during a heated

discussion on BBC Radio 4's Today programme this week.

Sittingbourne resident Mr Fassenfelt, who serves on the mid-Kent bench, said: "Clearly I don't agree with the comments made by Mr McLennan Murray. The fact is these were exceptional circumstances in that the riots were some of the worst this country has ever seen."

"When magistrates decide how to deal with an offender, they do so with a very strict set of guidelines. One such guideline is to consider how likely the offender is to go out and commit further offences, and it may be that many magistrates felt that was very likely in a riot situation."

"I think prison governors should stick to guarding and protecting prisoners rather than commenting on subjects they know nothing about."

The most recent Ministry of Justice statistics for court cases relating to the disturbances be-



tween August 6-9 estimate that 70 per cent of people were remanded in custody. The figure for all cases brought before magistrates last year was just 10 per cent.

When it came to sentencing, about 46 per cent received a custodial sentence compared to 12.3 per cent last year.

Mr Fassenfelt said the sentences handed out by magistrates reflected the seriousness of the offences committed.

He added: "We're always going to be criticised by the left wing for putting everyone in prison and by the right wing for putting nobody in prison, but our job is to strike a balance called justice."

"But I've never been in the retiring room when somebody has suggested a particular sentence based on what that day's headline in The Sun is. By and large magistrates get it right."

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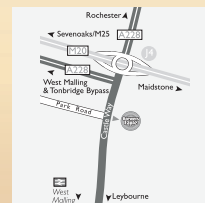
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## FOOTBALL

## Wembley match set for soccer-mad Jacks

TWO lucky England fans will lead the Three Lions out at Wembley for their crucial Euro 2012 qualifier against Wales on Tuesday.

Jack Eagle, seven, from Chatham, and Jack Sturrock, 10, from Sheerness, will join the likes of Wayne Rooney and John Terry on the pitch after winning a McDonald's competition.

The prize is of particular significance to Jack Sturrock, who missed out on the chance to be a mascot for England's friendly clash with Holland last month when it was cancelled due to the London riots.

"I love football and so this is a dream prize for me," he said. "All my friends are so jealous."

## RECORD

## Grandfather swims his way into record books

A PENSIONER has smashed the previous record by becoming the oldest person ever to swim the English Channel.

Breast cancer surgeon Roger Allsopp, who turned 70 in April, wrote his name in the record books after completing the swim on Tuesday.

The grandfather-of-three, who takes the title from American George Brunstad – the uncle of Hollywood superstar Matt Damon – completed the 21-mile challenge in 17 hours and 51 minutes.

It completes a remarkable series of achievements for the OAP, who has already swam the Channel at the age of 65 and ran the London Marathon when he was 60.

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## GARDENING

# Gardener wants latest design to be big in Japan

By Steve Knight

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A KENTISH rose will represent Italy in Japan as part of a truly global Gardening World Cup.

Jo Thompson, whose garden design business is based in Marden, near Maidstone, is one of just 16 people due to take part in next month's competition at the Huis Ten Bosch theme park near Nagasaki.

The event is being held in aid of the victims of last March's earthquake and tsunami in the country, with the theme of Gardens for World Peace and a Prayer for Japanese Recovery.

Ms Thompson, who also has studios in Dorset and London, won a 'best in show' award at last year's Chelsea Flower Show and has also been named by House & Garden magazine as one of the 10 rising stars in garden design.

The Italian will also be one of just four Europeans to participate in the World Cup.

She said: "What excites me about designing and building a garden for this event is that it's a real challenge to do so in a place so far away. Every detail needs to be thought of beforehand."

"It will be great working with a team of Japanese contractors and I've been so impressed by the quality of their work at the Chelsea Flower Show."

Huis Ten Bosch – meaning 'house in the forest' – is a 375-acre theme park built to replicate a medieval Dutch town complete with windmills, villas, canal and tulips. It also contains a replica of the real Huis ten Bosch, which is one of the Dutch Royal Family's three official residences in The Hague.

Ms Thompson will compete in the show garden category at the Gardening World Cup with her Reconnection Garden, which she intends to be a place of retreat for people.



**SHOW GARDEN:** Jo Thompson will compete in Nagasaki with her Reconnection Garden (above right)

She said: "The three large olive trees will, with luck, create the idea of a peaceful grove."

"The rippling pool, which is three metres in diameter, is a large feature set in the ground, and this again is designed to add to the feeling of calm with the gentlest of movement."

The participants at the Gardening World Cup have just two weeks to build their gardens ahead of a televised awards ceremony on October 7. They will then be opened to the public.

Last year's show was visited by more than 100,000 people in the first week alone and proved so popular that it was extended by a further three months.

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## News

## LITERATURE

# Thanet backdrop for horror writer's new werewolf book

By Steve Knight

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AMERICAN horror author Nic Brown needed the perfect setting for his new novel about werewolves, witches and sea monsters – and in Thanet he found it.

But far from mocking the district in which his wife Fiona grew up, the 41-year-old Kentucky native insists he is paying tribute to the rich history of the east Kent towns with *Blood Sacrifice* – the second book in the *Werewolf for Hire* series.

The iconic cooling towers of Richborough Power Station and the historic underground tunnels which sheltered the residents of Ramsgate during World War Two are among the familiar locations included in the novel, which is available to buy through Amazon.com.

"I've been to Kent a number of times and I think it's a very nice region," he said.

"It's so rich in history and there are so many interesting places to visit. I didn't inten-



**BITTEN:** American Nic Brown

tionally set out to promote Thanet in the book, but I do talk a lot about the people and the businesses based there and I feel I tried to show the area in a good light.

"There's very little comparison at all between Thanet and Lexington, where I live. Lexington is extremely landlocked, and even though it's on the edge of the Appalachian Mountains it's still relatively flat."

Mr Brown works as a manager for a Japanese car trading company, and in addition to writing novels he also produces independent films and co-hosts his own B-movie podcast.

*Blood Sacrifice* tells the tale of

detective Michael Warren, who travels to Thanet to help search for a local witch's daughter.

Warren has an advantage over his colleagues though, as his ability to transform into a werewolf keeps him in touch with his monstrous side.

But while Mr Brown may write about Thanet from his home more than 4,000 miles away, he still likes to keep up-to-date with issues affecting the east Kent coast.

He was particularly excited about plans to open the Ramsgate tunnel to the public, while sad to hear the Richborough Power Station cooling towers are to be demolished along with the rest of the disused plant.

Mr Brown said: "The station has been closed for years and from what I understand a lot of people used to think the towers were an eyesore. But now they're going to get rid of them many people are upset about it, and I'm one of them. It's still an important part of the landscape."

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## HEALTH CARE

# New chief executive is proud to be a part of Demelza's work

By Marijke Cox

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THE new head of Demelza has called it a "privilege" to take over the reigns of the leading children's hospice charity.

Steve Hoy, who officially took on the position last week following a national recruitment campaign, told KoS he would help develop the charity to ensure sick children and their families continue to receive much-needed support.

The father-of-two was until recently chief executive of young people's advice service Connexions in Cheshire.

"Although I'm still working with young people it's quite different in the type of work. We help ill children through the years, in some cases up to 20 years," he said.

"When people hear the word hospice they think it involves children who don't have long left to live, but we support young people with life-limiting and life-threatening illnesses, which means the care for some is ongoing for them and their families for a number of years.

"It's about creating the best possible experiences for them and helping families cope, not just parents but brothers and sisters who are affected by having a very ill sibling."

Mr Hoy, who is based at the char-



AT THE HELM: Steve Hoy

ity's headquarters in Sittingbourne, said the hospice had launched an appeal to help increase the number of bedrooms and build a state-of-the-art hydrotherapy pool.

"I want to help continue to grow the charity," he added. "Demelza has seen amazing growth over the years and in these difficult times we need to ensure this continues.

"We have appealed to businesses to help provide support and volunteers. There are about 1,000 people who volunteer and help with fundraising. There are a lot of people who want to give something back and business people who have done

well for themselves and want to help others."

Mr Hoy also paid tribute to the staff and said he was enjoying working closely with the team.

"My office is above what we call the care wing. It means I can just come down and talk to children, their parents and brothers and sisters – I'm not just in an office somewhere, I'm really part of what the charity does."

He added: "Demelza has a tremendous reputation for the care and support it provides to young people and their families and it is a privilege to be part of that team.

"One of the things that impressed me most about Demelza is the enthusiasm and dedication of all of the staff. Regardless of role, the whole organisation has an amazing buzz in terms of commitment."

Chairman of the board of trustees,

Des Crampton, said Mr Hoy had his "100 per cent backing" in moving forward the work of Demelza.

The charity was launched 13 years ago by Derek and Jennifer Philips following the death of their daughter, Demelza, from a brain tumour aged 24.

She had worked at a children's hospice in Birmingham and her parents realised the South East was in desperate need of a facility.

After hard work fundraising and raising awareness, a hospice was opened just outside Sittingbourne in 1998.

Another has since been opened in south-east London, with a care service in East Sussex.

The charity, which helps 700 families, provides an eight-bed hospice in Kent with facilities including multi-sensory rooms and physiotherapy.

## DEVELOPMENT

## Decision time looms for Lydd airport expansion

A PUBLIC inquiry into the proposed £25 million expansion of Lydd Airport will reconvene on Tuesday after a summer break.

Shepway council approved plans for a runway extension and new terminal building in March last year, but the Government Office for the South East ruled an inquiry should be held following huge public opposition to the scheme.

The RSPB is one of several environmental groups campaigning against the development, citing concerns about the impact it may have on wildlife at Dungeness.

South East conservation manager Sam Dawes said: "This public inquiry is the culmination of five years' campaigning to demonstrate that any expansion of Lydd Airport is wholly inappropriate.

"We have seen the strength of opposition from local people both prior to and during the inquiry through letter-writing and attendance at the public meetings in July.

"They, along with the RSPB, know what a special place Dungeness is and how important it is to



INQUIRY: The runway extension bid has received a lot of opposition

protect it for wildlife and people."

The inquiry will reconvene at 10am on Tuesday, with the closing statements due to be heard between September 14-16.

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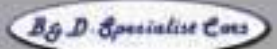
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## ANIMALS

# Babies and bulls to be discovered at the zoos

By Steve Knight

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ZOOKEEPERS are celebrating the arrival of creatures great and small to two of Kent's most popular wild animal parks.

Port Lympne near Ashford, and Howletts near Canterbury – both part of the Aspinall Foundation – have experienced several births in recent weeks thanks to the success of the charity's various breeding programmes.

The most recent arrival was a baby howler monkey at Port Lympne, which is already home to more than 20 of the breed – so called because of the noises they make to communicate.

Head primate keeper Simon Jeffrey said: "The baby is too young to tell what sex it is at the moment and this makes it difficult to name, although we have some ideas already."

"When howler babies are young they cling to their mothers' bellies for about six months where they are protected and can easily feed."

In addition to the howler monkey, the Aspinall Foundation welcomed another primate to Howletts in the form of a rare Gelada baboon.

The zoo was already home to three of the endangered species – male Agolo and females Jima and Sereba – and keepers were delighted when they discovered Sereba had fallen pregnant. Five months later and a male baby, Leena, was born.

Meanwhile, three meerkats have also been born at Port Lympne to the matriarch of the entire group, Tiggs. Typically meerkat kittens are born with their eyes and ears closed and stay in



the underground burrow with their mother for the first three weeks.

But it wasn't just births that signalled new arrivals at the zoos, as two young bull elephants moved from Howletts to Port Lympne to prevent them annoying the females.

Animal director Adrian Harland said: "The move went very smoothly, but obviously these things have to be run like military operations to ensure the animals' safety and wellbeing. Janu and Juva were very calm throughout and are settling into their new home."

"They are very confident young males and their boisterous behaviour meant they would have annoyed the females at Howletts. They have come to Port Lympne so they can learn from our mature bull, Kruger."



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## News

## CAMPAIGN

# Global campaign to release imprisoned ex Kent student

By Steve Knight

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SCHOLARS from around the world are campaigning for the safe release of a former University of Kent student imprisoned in Bahrain.

Professor Masaud Jahromi, who graduated in 2001 with a PhD in telecommunication networking, was arrested on April 14 this year, but has yet to be charged with any offence despite spending almost five months behind bars.

The married father-of-one, who is currently chairman of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at Ahlia University's College of Mathematical Sciences and Information Engineering in Bahrain, also suffers from hepatitis C and has allegedly been refused treatment by his captors.

Eager to raise awareness of Prof Jahromi's plight is the international Scholars at Risk (SAR) organisation, which exists to promote academic freedom and to defend the human rights



HELD: Prof Masaud Jahromi

of scholars worldwide. A large number of British universities are members of the network, including the University of Kent.

SAR executive director Robert Quinn said: "Since his arrest, Prof Jahromi was reportedly held in an undisclosed location and initially had no communication with his family."

"According to reports, the police broke into his house in the middle of the night, threatened and harassed members of his family, confiscated the family's laptops and beat Prof Jahromi. We understand now he was initially brought to Al-

Galaa prison and later transferred to Dry Dock Prison.

"He has yet to be informed of the charges against him. A date for his hearing has not yet been set in spite of the fact he has been detained for more than four months."

Based at New York University, Scholars at Risk was launched as part of the University of Chicago's human rights programme in 1999. Academics are invited to apply for assistance from the organisation if they are experiencing threats to their life, liberty or career, or if they have been forced to leave their country because of such threats.

Mr Quinn said: "We learned of Prof Jahromi's situation from local advocates for his wellbeing, whom we cannot identify for fear it would result in their receiving threats. We will continue to monitor his situation and hope the attention will keep his case on the agenda of Bahraini officials and perhaps raise the political costs of his detention, leading to an improvement in conditions and/or release."

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## AIRPORT

# Web travel boss backs estuary airport plans

By Marijke Cox

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A HOLIDAY expert has backed plans for a new airport on the Hoo Peninsula, claiming it would do "great things" for the British travel industry.

It follows the launch of a review by ex-Cathay Pacific chief executive John Olsen looking at a proposal to build a £15 billion airport at Cliffe.

The scheme is one of a number of ambitious plans for a new airport in or around the area to either replace or support Heathrow, which is running at almost full capacity.

They include a £40bn 'floating airport' in the Thames estuary, dreamt up by London Mayor Boris Johnson, and a £50bn proposal for the Isle of Grain by leading architect Lord Foster.

Each idea has been heavily criticised by residents, local politicians and environmental campaigners, but online

holiday specialist dealchecker, co.uk has given its backing to John Olsen's plan.

Chief executive Alex Saint said: "Plans for a new airport should be welcome news to the travel industry and British travellers.

"Heathrow is operating at 98 per cent capacity at the moment and a new airport would alleviate some of this pressure.

"This could open up more flights to New York, Florida, Sharm el Sheikh and other popular holiday destinations, and possibly even allow for a reduction in the cost of flights to travellers."

Mr Olsen's plans are currently under review by the Independent Aviation Advisory Group, with the former airline boss pushing for support from the Government.

Mr Saint added: "Although these plans are in their preliminary stages, the current demand for flights to and from the UK certainly indicates that

a new airport will be a necessity in the near future.

"If Britain is to remain a major world travel hub, our airports will have to evolve to keep up with growing demand."

Recent plans for a new airport in the Hoo Peninsula follow a successful campaign in 2002 against Government plans to build an airport at Cliffe.

Medway Council leader Cllr Rodney Chambers said capacity at other airports must be looked at instead.

He said: "When this [Olsen's] plan was put forward last year I stated I was furious that this unwelcome proposal to concrete over the Hoo Peninsula and create an international airport appeared to be back on the table. That comment still stands.

"In 2002 we successfully fought proposals to build an airport on green fields and internationally important wetlands in Medway, and we will do so again."

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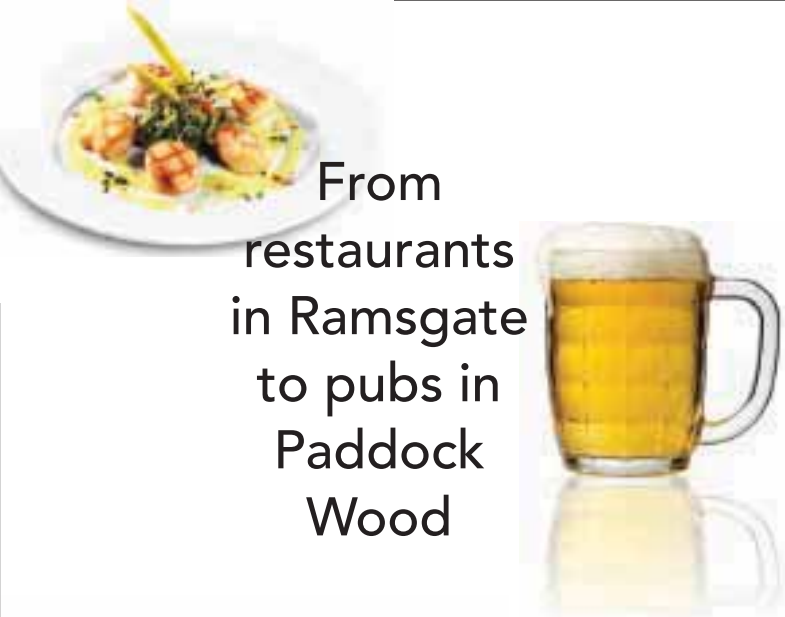
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## FASHION

## Brands bid for fashion crown at Tower Bridge

TWO fashion brands from Kent are to feature in the first-ever fashion show at London's iconic Tower Bridge.

Designs from Orpington-based jewellery brand Beau and Arrow and unique towel creators Hammamas, from Cranbrook, will feature next to collections by leading designers from more than 20 countries.

The show, which is being held by J Model Management, will take place on October 19.

Owner Jessica Minh Anh said: "I am a big fan of young British talent and believe they will bring youth and colour to the show.



**JEWELLERY:** A necklace designed by Beau and Arrow

"We are ready to take high fashion 44 metres off the ground."

New jewellery brand Beau and Arrow, owned by Keli Jones, creates handmade sil-

ver pieces inspired by vintage designs. Hammamas creates stylish cotton designs using premium handmade cotton available in 21 different colours to "beautify the ultimate beach experience".

"We associate our brands with sunshine, fun, and a healthy lifestyle," said the company's Sacha Hardy.

The show is being supported by British fashion designer Paul Costelloe, London Fashion Week brand Jaeger London, Dutch celebrity designer Addy van den Krommenacker, and New York Fashion Week designer Charlotte Sparre.



## PUBLIC TRANSPORT

# Claim local bus cuts threaten youths' career hopes denied

By Steve Knight

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TRANSPORT chiefs in Kent and Medway have hit back at claims they are harming young people's career prospects by cutting local bus services.

Last week the county's teenagers recorded the best-ever set of GCSE results, but according to Labour shadow transport minister Maria Eagle, many will miss out on further education opportunities due to "the scale of local bus cuts".

Ms Eagle visited Gillingham to voice her concerns to young Labour supporters on Tuesday, adding that the national reduction in local transport funding amounted to a "stealth attack" on the life chances of young people already reeling from the trebling of university tuition fees and loss of the Education Maintenance Allowance.

However, transport chiefs in Kent and Medway have ac-

cused the shadow minister of not doing her homework.

"Clearly Maria Eagles doesn't know anything about our scheme or the fact that in Medway funding for young people's travel has not been cut but is actually being increased," said Cllr Phil Filmer, portfolio holder for frontline services at the Conservative-run Medway Council.

"We run a successful half-price bus fare scheme which includes up to 18-year-olds. At a time when other councils may be cutting back on concessionary travel, we've expanded our scheme in a sustainable way and have allocated an additional £250,000 to move towards a Freedom Pass.

"It's typical of Labour to criticise an excellent scheme in Medway when they offer no policies or alternatives themselves."

According to a survey by the Association of Colleges, about 72 per cent of students travel

by bus with an average journey of nine miles.

It found that one in five students has considered dropping out of further education because of the cost, with 94 per cent of colleges believing the abolition of EMA will affect students' ability to travel to and from college.

Ms Eagle said the problem would only get worse as a result of the Government slashing half a billion pounds from councils' local transport budgets.

She also criticised Kent County Council for doubling the cost of its Freedom bus pass for schoolchildren from £50 to £100.

In response, cabinet member for highways Cllr Bryan Sweetland said the authority offered some of the most generous supported bus schemes in England but that it "does not run the bus companies".

He added: "The Kent Freedom Pass is now used by more

than 27,000 young people and has extended educational choice and mobility to Kent's young people.

"We will continue to offer and build on this innovative service. The Freedom Pass continues to be free for Kent's looked-after children and for young carers, and half price for children in receipt of a free school meal."



**BUCK STOP:** Shadow transport minister Maria Eagle says young people will miss out on further education due to bus service cuts

## LORD LIEUTENANT

## Lord Lieutenant takes up office

THE new Lord Lieutenant of Kent has officially assumed office and become the 29th person to achieve the honour.

Viscount De L'Isle MBE was appointed following the retirement of Allan Willett, who held the post for almost 10 years.

In his previous position as Vice Lord Lieutenant, he was part of the team which modernised the Lieutenancy under Mr Willett's leadership.

As the new Queen's representative, Viscount De L'Isle pledged to work for the interests of the county's young people.

He said: "I am immensely honoured to have been appointed Lord Lieutenant in succession to Allan Willett,

who has done so much for Kent and its Lieutenancy.

"The aims of the Lieutenancy remain unchanged: to provide a focus for county identity, unity and pride; give a sense of stability; recognise achievements, success and excellence; and promote service to others. Everyone's ambition should be to celebrate Kent, its extraordinary history and culture, serve their communities and contribute positively to our future success."

He paid tribute to the Armed Forces and their families as well as the many volunteers.

"Across the county we are blessed with an army of volunteers working tirelessly to support others and particularly

assisting our youth, the seed corn of tomorrow's Kent. I look forward to visiting and working with these charities.

"We face changing times in the field of youth employment and it is my hope the Lieutenancy can work with all the agencies involved to ensure our children can find work suited to their set of skills."

Paying tribute to his predecessor, Viscount De L'Isle added: "Perhaps the greatest compliment I, as the new Lord Lieutenant, can pay to Allan is that I intend to continue to pursue the aims and aspirations he set in motion when he set out on his wonderful journey with the people of Kent in 2002."

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OPINION

# Apprentices are the future

Bill Fearon, principal of K College, which has campuses across Kent, looks at the challenge facing those who failed to land a university spot

WHILE K College was celebrating its A Level results, the local newspapers reported that according to the University and College Union (UCU), 110,000 people in Kent leave school without any formal qualifications.

It is a sad fact that between eight and 11 per cent of the population of the towns where we have campuses; Dover, Folkestone, Ashford, Tonbridge and Tunbridge Wells don't have the basic skills that will enable them to get a good job, and progress into a worthwhile career.

Further education (FE) colleges now face their busiest and most challenging time of year, and with formal careers advice now very limited, it is our professional staff who help people of all ages find their path to job satisfaction and a fulfilling career.

The new academic year will be particularly tough.

Thousands of young people and adults did not secure a university place due to the exceptionally high demand for what will be the last year of entry before substantial increases in university tuition fees are implemented.

K College has around 1,000 full and part-time students on higher-education (HE) courses including HNC, HND, foundation and full degree programmes in liaison with Canterbury Christ Church University, University of Kent and Greenwich University.

The increase in university fees next year has focused the minds of many students and they want to be sure they are getting value for money.

We are now experiencing a significant rise in interest in apprenticeships, approaching

900 at present, including 30 of our own employees, and qualifications at higher education level are available on apprenticeship programmes for the first time.

Again the benefit of an apprenticeship includes the ability for the individual (and family) to work and study locally while earning a wage.

In these tough economic times, we're also equally committed to supporting the hundred thousand or so other people in Kent who have no formal qualifications at all.

In Dover next September, we are starting an A Level programme, sharing the good practice and experience of our Tonbridge campus team in east and south Kent, where we hope to find the same success levels. Our aim is to work with schools to complement their own A Level courses.



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**Our staff are now helping people of all ages to find their path**

There's no doubt the loss of the Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA), cancelled by the Government, has given colleges such as ours a challenge, but we are replacing it with a significant bursary, so hope no one will lose out on the opportunity to learn as a result.

With top companies, such as Santander, which is offering places on their banking training scheme, now saying they will offer jobs to high achieving 18-year-olds from schools and colleges, it is apparent that employers are increasingly opening up more opportunities.

The major shift will be evidenced when the many small businesses in the county are both willing and able to provide effective apprenticeships and other useful forms of on the job training.

## KOS COMMENT

### Punishment should fit the fly-tipping crime

IT'S frustrating enough when you see someone throwing litter in the street, but with fly-tipping it's laziness on a much bigger scale.

More frustrating is so many are getting away with it despite thousands being spent on enforcement.

The minority who can't be bothered to dump their waste legally are spoiling the Kent countryside for everyone else.

Worryingly, the low number of prosecutions suggest councils are fighting a losing battle. Perhaps if these offenders faced more than a slap on the wrist the problem could be eradicated.

### Bizarre goings-on in the Garden of England

KENT seems to be a hotbed for all that is weird and wonderful. We have Hythe's winged mothman, uncovered by the county's own ghost hunter Neil Arnold, and numerous big cat sightings.

But now it's werewolves descending on Thanet, albeit in a novel, but there seems to be a trend appearing.

Perhaps we should be checking under our beds before going to sleep.

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**Whitstable  
seafront**  
by Rita Keatley,  
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## What about re-using land?

Greg Clark is having his 'forestry' moment (KoS, August 28).

Apparently no one at the National Trust, Protect Kent or Kent Green Party can read the Government's consultation document or associated documents on slimming down our planning system. Apparently no one at the Campaign for Better Transport, Friends of the Earth, the Town and Country Planning Association or WWF UK can either since all have questioned aspects of the Government's proposals.

The fact is, the Government's consultation is based upon making development easier. Development which meant re-use of empty homes, shops and derelict industrial sites would create less need for other infrastructure and would house people and businesses in urban centres.

Instead, the document forces councils to review Green Belt policies regardless of local opposition to building on greenfield sites.

In addition, Airport Watch UK has indicated that the projections for increased aviation will seriously damage its efforts to reduce greenhouse gases. But the Government's planning consultation emphasises regional airport expansion, like that opposed at Lydd.

And what about communities having greenfield development imposed on them, like at Ashford? Or joined-up planning: health trusts are being told to identify land they control for use as housing, despite the need for an expansion of hospitals in Kent and Medway because of our rising and ageing population?

A far more restrictive planning system which emphasises refurbishment, quality, energy efficiency and safe energy technologies for each building is what we actually need.

**Steve Dawe, Kent Green Party**

## Better road links are vital

The Lydd airfield expansion arguments go on and on while Manston airport, with its long runway, is seeking to expand its operations.

Pfizer is moving out and the new businesses so desperately needed may be attracted by the recently upgraded infrastructure, but what a pity the dual carriageway next to Manston does not include a link road to its terminal and adjacent railway line.

What a pity a nice new station has not been built by the railway line that runs next to the new roadway to give easy access to high speed trains.

Manston would benefit from more daytime traffic due to better access for passenger airlines and their customers with, perhaps, less need to increase night time freight traffic.

Daytime noise would be no worse than the low-flying helicopters and light aircraft that currently plague this area.

Lydd would not be able to offer such convenience. An opportunity missed?

**Harry Matthews, Herne Bay**

## Night flights will not come

I am getting sick and tired of listening to Charles Buchanan scaremongering the people of Thanet by saying Manston

airport will close and cause a loss of yet more jobs if we don't support night flights.

Charles Buchanan and Infratil have already laid off 100 workers during the day, which is nothing to do with needing the night flights.

The investigation the people of Thanet insisted on proved night flights to be dangerous to all Thanet people, as the 90dB of noise from the night flights will cause unacceptable health and safety issues.

We the residents of Thanet are fed up with this constant threat from Infratil. It is time they accepted the fact they will not get night flights passed at Manston airport, and the best thing for them to do is increase the flights during the day.

**Carole Russell, Ramsgate**

## Give young people a trade

I firmly believe a major cause of our broken society is the lack of any spirituality, one-parent families, mothers unable to cope with head-strong unruly youngsters, and step-parents not interested in other people's children.

Consequently these children are considered worthless and they feel so. They have low self-esteem, are generally non-academic, cannot cope at school and become disruptive, which is the start of the slippery slope.

I have long been of the opinion that if these young people were to be taught a trade or craft, their self-esteem, self-worth and pride in themselves would greatly improve. They would feel good in themselves in the knowledge that they can make some contribution, can be inventive and have something to offer, even though they are not academic.

The training could take the form of a trade such as making furniture, plumbing, car repairs, brick laying and so on.

The other side of the coin is that this training could be done by the retired, who'd have the expertise. I am sure they would love to pass on their knowledge.

It is not rocket science to realise the young people, the elderly and society would benefit. All that is required is for the Government to make funds available to set up such a scheme, thereby taxpayers'

money would be well spent. A win-win situation for all.

**Cllr Tom Mason,  
Medway Council**

## Cruelty is not charitable

Some medical research charities that conduct cruel animal experiments are receiving millions every year in donations.

This is despite the fact a new opinion poll shows 82 per cent of us would not knowingly give to a medical research or health charity that funds animal research. How can this be? The public are being kept in the dark about the nature of the research.

Animal Aid's scientific report Victims of Charity, reveals that charity-funded researchers have deliberately damaged monkeys' brains, destroyed the hearts of dogs, and injected mice with cancerous tissue.

The report's authors conclude that these experiments produce information that cannot be reliably applied to human medicine – and can even be dangerously misleading.

Animal Aid is urging people to boycott all charities that conduct or fund cruel and unreliable animal research.

Readers can contact Animal Aid for a free list of charities and their research policies at [info@animalaid.org.uk](mailto:info@animalaid.org.uk) or on 01732 364546.

**Andrew Tyler,  
Animal Aid, Tonbridge**

## We want real government

I am really interested to know just who is running our country – Mr Cameron or Mr Clegg – and with Mr Clegg's latest rant we may even find out. Or will it be another compromise and stitch-up like so many times before?

Mr Cameron has made another of his promises and maybe he will keep this one, unlike the many before. He has promised to get something drastic done about the EU's Bill of Human Rights while Mr Clegg has told us he is going to stop Mr Cameron at any cost.

Over to you Mr Cameron. Either tell Mr Clegg to get lost or, like usual, offer a compromise and achieve nothing.

Call his bluff and, if necessary, let's have a general election and get a real Government in – not these no-hopers.

**RE Tucker, Sheerness**

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## It's unlikely that the taxman got it wrong

**Q** I have received a tax demand for the year 2009-10 and I need to check the calculations. Can you tell me the amount allowed before paying tax for that year, please, and the basic income tax rate? I am not sure that the tax office has used the right figures.

**A** I would be surprised if the taxman has got it wrong. Pretty well all tax calculations are carried out by computer now, so if your demand is wrong then it is likely that so are thousands of others. In 2009-10, everyone under 65 was allowed an income of £6,475 before paying tax. Above this, the basic tax rate was 20pc.

**Q** I have a basic bank account with NatWest. I was disturbed to read that the Royal Bank of Scotland, which owns NatWest, is going to stop its basic account customers from using their cash cards in any other bank's machines. Is Natwest planning to do the same?

**A** Bad news, I'm afraid. NatWest is imposing the same rule. You will not be able to use your cash card in another bank's machine. So far, the change only affects basic account customers. RBS and NatWest say it is a cost-cutting measure, as they have to pay a small fee if you use their card at another bank. But this could be a slippery slope, if other banks retaliate.

**Q** Following a question in your column about government proposals to set the state pension at a fixed £140 a week, I was concerned about pensioners like me who paid into the state earnings-related scheme (Serps). I inquired through my MP, and you might be interested in the result.

**A** You paid into Serps for many years, so you get £143 on top of the normal weekly pension. Pensions minister Steve Webb has assured you this will not be reduced. Anyone already at pension age will not be affected by his plans, he says. But the minister has not answered the questions we published six months ago. If only new pensioners are given £140 a week, will existing pensioners on less be left behind? It looks like it! Will anyone who paid extra contributions and already gets exactly £140 a week see others get the same without paying for it? And what about the self-employed, who were never eligible to pay extra national insurance? There are more questions than answers. The minister has a lot of explaining still to do.

### TONY HETHERINGTON MONEY CLINIC



**Q** I have just more than £1,000 in savings and cannot decide between index-linked savings certificates for five years or the Post Office online bond for three years.

**A** The Post Office bond would pay 4.21pc before tax. National Savings index-linked certificates would pay 0.5pc above the rate of inflation, which is currently 5pc. Of course, inflation could fall. But the index-linked certificates are tax-free, and I think this tips the balance in their favour.

**Q** Do British pensioners who retire to Spain, Ireland or the Isle of Man get increases in the state pension, or is it frozen?

**A** All three of your retirement destinations qualify for pension increases, just as if you were still living in Britain itself.

**Q** My son is one of those Sony PlayStation customers whose details were stolen by a hacker. I had let him use my credit card. As I was not the customer, am I liable if my card is misused?

**A** In fact, you were the customer as your card was used with your consent, even though it was your son who got the benefit. Hackers stole the personal details of about three million people from Sony, but you need not worry. You were not negligent, so you cannot be held liable for any losses.

**Q** I bought a car for £3,000 and found that the mileage and service history were false. As complaints got nowhere, I decided to sue, but the small claims court limit is only £500. Any suggestions?

**A** The ceiling on small claims is £5,000, not £500, so you should be able to press the claim yourself without difficulty. The Citizens Advice Bureau has helpful tips at [www.adviceguide.org.uk](http://www.adviceguide.org.uk)

■ If you have a personal-finance question, write to Tony Hetherington, MyMoney24, Prospect House, Rouen Road, Norwich NR1 1RE. Neither Tony nor the MyMoney24 team can enter into personal correspondence.

## Jewellery attractive target for thieves

THE importance of making sure your jewellery is adequately insured has been underlined by the release of statistics showing a rise in the number of claims.

According to Churchill, the number of home theft claims was up nearly 15pc during the first half of 2011 compared with the same period two years ago.

Meanwhile, jewellery now accounts for a third of all theft claims, and the average number of items involved in each claim has also risen.

During times of economic strife, the value of gold and precious metals tends to rise, and that is why gold has shot up in price by about 200pc over the past five years.

It means people who own nice jewellery face a double whammy – valuables are more attractive to burglars, and householders also run the risk of finding themselves underinsured.

Most home insurance policies require you to list any individual items that are worth more than a specified amount.

Jewellery that was previously worth less than the maximum value for single items might now be worth more, but you would be covered only for the limit stated on your policy should you need to make a claim.

"With the rise in gold prices and the decline in value of electrical goods, jewellery is becoming an increasingly attractive commodity



**LACK OF COVER:** Some households risk finding their jewellery is underinsured

for thieves," said Ian Davies, head of underwriting at Churchill Home Insurance.

"However, the dramatic increase in the value of gold is also putting consumers at risk of being underin-

sured. We urge homeowners to check the current value of their jewellery on a regular basis, and to update their home contents insurance cover accordingly if the value of their gold has increased."

## Over-65s' spending power falls rapidly

By Adam Aiken

MyMoney 24 editor

THE spending power of pensioners is likely to continue falling at a rapid rate over the next year, with one pension provider warning they could be an average of nearly £300 worse off over the coming 12 months.

A report by Prudential has estimated that pensioners with money in cash Isas, savings accounts and current accounts could see their spending power fall by an average of £278 over the next year.

The calculations suggest that the combined effects of rising inflation and rock-bottom interest rates will erode pensioners' buying power by a total of £2.9 billion during that time.

Prudential said the average pensioner had £19,664 in savings.

Although such average figures can be misleading – after all, they lump the very wealthy in with those

who have few savings if any at all – they nevertheless show the speed at which pensioners are seeing their standard of living eroded.

For many pensioners, the situation is worse than that faced by people of working age.

First, the so-called 'Silver RPI' – the rate of inflation for older people – is higher than the national average.

Age UK recently found that inflation according to the retail prices index (RPI) had averaged 3.1pc since the start of January 2008, but Silver RPI had averaged 4.6pc over the same period.

In other words, the cost of living for older people has risen by about half as much again as it has for the population as a whole.

The other factor working against pensioners is that many of them are on fixed incomes. Although the state pension is index-linked, a lot of pensioners supplement their income

with private or company pensions, and many of these policies pay out a set amount each month instead of rising over the years.

Vince Smith Hughes, head of business development at Prudential, said: "Low interest rates and rising Silver RPI mean that many pensioners are particularly feeling the squeeze, and for those who rely on interest-paying savings accounts to top-up their income, the challenge is even greater."

"As most people in Britain feel the financial pressure of rising living costs, pensioners on fixed retirement incomes are facing even higher levels of inflation and are suffering disproportionately."

To put it into context, Prudential said that if inflation remained at its current level, a pensioner would need his or her income to more than double over the next 20 years in order to maintain today's standard of living.



## INSIDE THIS WEEK

JOIN us as we take a special look at varying ways to boost job opportunities for people, especially the young, when it comes to business. Analysts are looking at ways to increase the number of jobs available and some forward-thinking calls have gone in to Government to bring in new practices that will help boost the job market.

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## Call to grow Work Trials scheme and create 1,500 jobs

By Nick Ames

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THE Federation Of Small Businesses is calling on the Government to extend Work Trials to help create an extra 1,500 jobs in Kent.

With unemployment in the county currently numbering more than 33,000 people, the FSB believes the Government needs to do more to get people back into employment.

Its Voice Of Small Business survey panel shows that almost a quarter (23 per cent) of small firms think Work Trials would act as an incentive to taking on staff.

Work Trials are voluntary programmes that allow employers and employees to try a role before taking on a permanent position within the business. Currently, Work Trials are available to those who have been on Job Seekers Allowance for at least six months.

The FSB is calling on the Government to extend Work Trials by making them available from the first day that someone claims Jobseekers

Allowance. It believes this could help to create an extra 1,500 jobs in Kent.

The FSB Kent Small Business Barometer shows that small-business confidence has dropped, and although many small businesses want to employ, they lack the resources necessary to take on a member of staff.

The group says the trials are beneficial for both the employer and the employee as they offer key skills to help businesses move forward while at the same time ensuring the person on the work trial is learning new skills.

Research shows that almost half of all jobs beginning with a Work Trial have led to a permanent job in that business.

Roger House, FSB chairman for Kent and Medway, said: "Small businesses are more likely to hire people that have been in long-term unemployment, and Work Trials are a good way to get people back into work and learning skills, and for small businesses to move forward with taking on staff and growing.

"Small firms are willing to play their part in



## VOLUNTARY:

The Work Trials programme aims to get people to try out a role before taking on a full-time position within a company

tackling unemployment but lack confidence in their business prospects and the economy and don't have the resources to do so.

"Extending Work Trials could help to create an extra 1,500 much-needed jobs in Kent and help people get back into work at such a difficult time, so the FSB is urging the Government to extend this very straightforward scheme from the first day someone signs on.

"The Government simply must do more if it wants the private sector to pick up the slack from public-sector cuts. This would be a good start in helping to tackle unemployment."

## DEMOLITION

### Expert team ends paper mill project

A £3.5 million paper mill demolition and 20-acre site clearance has been completed by specialist company Lee Demolition.

Experts finished the nine-month New Hythe scheme with a railway bridge lift that was carried out under railtrack possession; the project was completed on time and within the constraints set.

The multi-million-pound project saw a high-level deconstruction and demolition of a former paper mill and warehouses, with a top-down and traditional demolition operations being carried out.

A recycling and power-generation facility will be built on the site, owned by SCA New Hythe Packaging and Paper. More than 40 Lee Demolition staff worked on the project, which saw 99 per cent of site materials recycled or reused, backfilling and compacting all the machine pits and service voids.

Dave Jameson, director of Lee Demolition, said: "This was a complex project comprising heavy structures constructed from both steel and concrete frames which tested our fleet of demolition plant to the maximum."

## MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS

### Movie deal for The Godfather

ACQUISITION experts Vertex Law, based at Kings Hill, helped a major film distributor add The Godfather and other timeless movie titles to its extensive portfolio after making Hollywood Classics Ltd an offer it couldn't refuse.

The firm carried out legal work on the £1.6 million deal, which saw Hollywood Classics Limited taken over by the Metrodome Group plc.

The buyout allows the group to add many iconic movies of yesteryear to its existing stock of film, TV and digital content as it represents the classic film libraries of many of the leading studios and independents.

The company has a strong back catalogue that also includes legendary titles such as Breakfast At Tiffany's and Psycho.

Vertex Law's mergers and acquisitions lawyer Salim Somjee said: "Metrodome is an exciting client, introduced to us by former member and now consultant Stuart Butler-Gallie.

"We used our transactional expertise and the knowhow of our commercial and technology and media teams to ensure the deal was completed in line



**BUYOUT:** Salim Somjee worked with Metrodome Group to clinch film deal

with Metrodome's expectations.

Metrodome chairman Mark Webster said: "This important acquisition is the next step in our mission to become one of the leading independent rights management groups in the UK."

## CONSTRUCTION

### Ashford firm wins sports centre bid

DESIGN and construction company Directline Structures has been chosen to build a £2.2 million community and sports centre for the 2,400 residents of Alderney, the most northerly of the Channel Islands.

The Ashford company has been constructing commercial buildings and sports halls for more than two decades and will use this expertise to design and build a 21,000 sq ft centre which will have a 25-metre swimming pool, multi-purpose sports hall, gymnasium, bowling alley, café, dance studio and changing facilities.

Richard Willmott, chairman of the Alderney Community And Sports Centre Charitable Trust, said: "Over the past year we have put in a huge amount of effort to choose a specialist design and build partner to finalise a design and a fixed price for building it."

Duncan Murray, Directline Structures managing director, said: "While there is still a little more to be done on design and planning, the work on the centre will begin in March 2012 and take a year to complete. We will work with local suppliers, in addition to bringing in specialist staff when necessary."

## Business Week

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## Pub praise is no smoke

### HEALTH

LOCKSBOTTOM pub Ye Olde Whyte Lyon, has been short-listed in a nationwide search to find the pub with the Best Smoking Area in the UK.

The Great British Pub Awards 2011, run by trade magazine The Pubcan's Morning Advertiser, is looking for pubs providing excellent outdoor smoking facilities and the pub has made it to the final four.

It was nominated for the award thanks to its large patio area, which boasts a canvas canopy, heaters, and an outside television as well as a beer garden which is populated by a wide range of flowers, trees and plants. The pub even provides blankets to customers who wish to stay outside when the weather is chilly.

Wendy Mannion, joint licensee, said: "We're thrilled to have been short-listed. We were well prepared for the smoking ban, so much so our outside smoking area was ready two years before the July 07 ban. Our aim was to continue to accommodate smokers by ensuring they don't feel isolated but still very much part of the pub."

"The fact that our smoking area is next to the main bar has really helped us achieve this."

## Learn to build better bonds

### NETWORKING

KENT Science Park has teamed up with Sandler Training to provide an hour-long Networking Works! workshop on Thursday, September 8, to help Swale's business-owners make the most of their networking opportunities.

The organisers say that although networking has become an integral part of business marketing strategy, many people remain uncomfortable in networking groups and make mistakes that stop them reaping the full benefits from such events.

Led by training expert Lisette Howlett, the session will help networkers to develop a structured plan that will allow them to feel they are portraying their company in the best possible way.

Howlett said: "Networking Works! is about building better professional relationships through the huge amount of meetings that go on throughout the region and, in return, achieve more sales with superior suppliers and net more qualified referrals."

"There are simple ways to ensure people get more out of networking, and we're here to pass this information on to the benefit of businesses throughout Swale."

# Dragon's gym fit for the future after investment

Fitness fans to reap benefits from £50,000 investment in new kit

By Joe Bill

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DESPITE the financial climate, Bannatyne's Health Club and Spa in Broadstairs has completed a huge £50,000 investment in new fitness equipment.

The Westwood Road health club, which is owned by Dragons' Den star and entrepreneur Duncan Bannatyne, is defying the view that the health industry would suffer as people looked to cut their outgoings.

The new investment comes less than a year after the club added a £350,000 well-being spa to the complex and coincides with the appointment of new general manager Richard Lakin.

Lakin joins the health club with 24 years of experience in the fitness industry, including stints at international five-star hotel chains in Dubai, Brunei and Indonesia.

He said: "This is the perfect time to be joining Bannatyne's after returning to the UK having worked at some of the most exclusive resorts in the world."

"I'm excited about the opportunity to work at the club after experiencing the leisure industry in various positions from commercial to hospitality-club management."

The new equipment includes enhanced resistance equipment for the gymnasium which may attract new customers as they are all beginner-friendly and suitable for all fitness levels.

Lakin added: "My priority is to ensure that we continue to deliver the highest level of customer service to match the quality of the state-of-the-art facilities we offer to our members. We understand that our members have varied



**WORKING OUT:** New general manager Richard Lakin pictured with some of the new enhanced resistance equipment at Bannatyne's Health Club and Spa in Broadstairs

health and lifestyle goals, which we are proud to be able help them to meet with use of our wide range of facilities."

Bannatyne Fitness is the UK's largest independent health-club operator with more than 60 sites across the UK.

The company, which was started in 1997, employs upwards of 5,000 people and caters for an impressive 170,000 members.

Known for his no-nonsense business style, Duncan Bannatyne started his health and fitness empire following a skiing accident from which he needed regular exercise to recover.

Unable to find the facilities he required locally, the Dragon decided to use some of the proceeds from the sale of his previous business, Quality Care

Homes plc, to establish the fitness chain.

Rob Hayes, regional manager for Bannatyne Fitness, believes that the Broadstairs club has a big future. He said: "This latest investment is part of a programme of ongoing development within our existing portfolio."

"As a company we firmly believe in regenerating and investing our profits back into our health clubs, spas and hotels, which enables our members to receive the maximum benefit from their experience at Bannatyne's."

The spa, which opened last November, features four therapy rooms and a dual treatment room, offering specialist treatments such as lava shells, massages, facials and other luxury-brand beauty treatments.

## 'Be prepared' message of transport manager seminar

A NATIONWIDE series of seminars aimed at transport managers will be visiting the Bridgewood Manor Hotel in Chatham on Wednesday, September 14.

The Freight Transport Association's Transport Manager 2011 seminar series says it will "arm transport managers with the tools they need to meet the challenges of an increasingly pressured environment in which their role is often changing".

The theme of this year's series is "be prepared". The challenge of high fuel prices, extreme winter weather and some big changes to operator licensing and the Certificate of Professional Competence (CPC) means it has never been more important for transport managers to take control and be prepared.

The seminars take place across the UK from September to November.

Expert speakers from organisations such as the Highways Agency and Backhouse Jones Solicitors, as well as FTA's own Member Advice Centre and other key staff, will advise delegates on the very latest legislation, and how to keep their transport operation at the forefront of best practice and compliance procedures.

Key sessions at Transport Manager 2011 include:



- Changes to operator licensing, CPC and the role of transport managers in 2012
- Vehicle and Operator Services Agency (VOSA) test centre closures and authorised testing facilities
- Cutting costs, cutting fuel, cutting carbon
- Who wants to be a transport manager? – interactive learning session
- Extreme weather – are you prepared for winter 2011?
- Agency worker directive explained
- Key transport developments expected in 2012.

# Trainees build towards future by grabbing places in contest final

### TRAINING

THREE Kent trainees are preparing for one of the biggest battles of their career after making it through to the UK final of Britain's biggest construction skills competition – SkillBuild 2011.

The competition is managed by CITB-ConstructionSkills, the Sector Skills Council and Industry Training Board for the construction industry, and endorsed by WorldSkills UK.

SkillBuild showcases the best talent the industry has to offer and helps to bring new blood into the industry.

Ashley Penfold, from North West Kent College and The Art of Decorating, Daniel Biggs, from NCC South and Richardson Roofing, and Michael Chalmers, from K College, secured their places at the UK final, which will take place at Leeds College Of Building next week, following a champion performance at the London regional heat, which saw them achieve one of

the highest scores in their category across the UK.

They will be joined by more than 100 trainees from across the country at this year's SkillBuild final, who have all managed to come out top of their fields in their respective regional heats which took place in April and May.

The trainees are three of five from the South East who successfully won a place at the UK final.

The competition is a great opportunity for trainees to prove they are the best in their trade and helps them to hone skills and boost prospects.

For employers, SkillBuild offers the opportunity to showcase their most talented trainees, as well as highlighting their commitment to training and excellence which helps to



provide a competitive edge.

For colleges it can enhance their reputation by demonstrating that their construction training is top quality.

Gillian Cain, regional delivery manager for CITB-ConstructionSkills in the South East, said: "At a time when the news pages are full of stories about the need for construction companies to take on apprentices, SkillBuild is a great opportunity for colleges and companies to show off their talent and enhance their reputation."



# Duo's bar is food for thought

By Victoria Adley

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BUSINESS partners Will Manning and Shaun Fourie have opened a lounge bar and restaurant in the Creative Quarter of Folkestone.

The project is part of an influx of bars, galleries and restaurants in a largely depressed part of the town.

The pair, who run Hallett's in The Old High Street, say they are keen to bring a contemporary, smart feeling to the area and help it to become a 'destination area' for holidaymakers and daytrippers.

Manning, originally a banker for Santander, said: "We have taken influences from a number of different locations, particularly Soho in London."

"And Hallett's would not be out of place among the stylish bars on the beach at Brighton."

Both Manning and Fourie were particularly inspired by a recent trip to Monaco with its chic seafront bars and clubs – and now want to bring a touch of the same style to Kent.

The duo were close to signing a commercial deal for a similar venture in Hertfordshire; however, while visiting family in Folkestone they happened to come across the building, which used to house a pub.

Manning said: "We realised the building we were going to have to design already existed – it just needed some modifications. So that's one reason we came to Folkestone."

Fourie, who was born in South Africa, has a background in the hospitality industry and is keen to utilise his culinary expertise in the business, and Hallett's serves breakfast, lunch and dinner as well as light snacks throughout the day.

Folkestone is undergoing a long-term, arts-led regeneration programme.

The charitable organisation The Creative Foundation has established itself as a major landowner in town, buying up derelict buildings in The Old High Street and Tontine Street, which both lead down to the harbour, and leasing them to creative businesses.

Manning said: "Because of the influx of creative businesses, we believe there is a community of people coming together to make this regeneration work."

Celebrity chef Mark Sargeant's Rocksalt, a harbour-front bar and restaurant specialising in seafood, opened in June of this year and has proved a magnet for visitors since its high-profile opening.

Manning said: "We are proud to



## THE PLACE TO BE:

Hallett's co-owners Will Manning, left, and Shaun Fourie

be part of a group of ventures creating this new culture. We want to provide customers with a choice of destinations in Folkestone – people may wish to begin their evening with drinks at our bar, then move on for a meal elsewhere."

# 'Employers too quick to make staff redundant'

BUSINESSES need to come out of the dark ages and modernise management approaches to downsizing and come up with alternatives to redundancies, according to an influential panel of experts.

A united call on employers to look at alternatives to redundancy has come from leading employment professionals and organisations.

ACAS, StaffShare and the Skill Exchange Partnership, made the appeal after a 38,000 increase in unemployment was announced, with the UK total now approaching the 2.5 million mark.

John Taylor, chairman of the Skill Exchange Partnership and chief executive of ACAS, the employment relations agency, said: "The short-term costs of redundancy are high, although they may result in medium-term savings for the organisation."

"However, the long-term cost of redundancy must be taken into consideration. The obvious costs are benefit payments, the loss in tax and National Insurance revenues and

the loss of VAT because of lower spending.

"Then there is the cost of recruitment when the upturn comes, and perhaps the cost of retraining. Less easily quantified is the social cost to the individual, and the economy, of being unemployed, and the cost associated with the loss of skills if they retrain."

"It makes good business and economic sense to consider the alternatives to unemployment."

David Lennan, former director general of the British Chambers of Commerce and also a founding director of StaffShare, the online skill exchange and secondment service, said: "Any unemployment has a huge human cost, but the increases we have seen will have a horrendous collective social impact."

"Employers are too quick to make people redundant when cost savings have to be made."

"New approaches, such as secondment, job-sharing and flexible working, would all reduce the need for redundancy and at the same time save the skills that are inevitably lost when people lose their job."

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## Task force warns building industry

BUILDING firms are being urged to take on more apprentices as the new college term approaches.

The Cross-Industry Construction Apprenticeship Task Force (CCATF) is warning that the industry cannot afford to ignore the training needs of young workers despite the difficult economic situation.

Chairman Geoff Lister said: "With the new college term just around the corner, now is a perfect time for businesses to take action.

"Apprenticeships lead to a nationally-recognised qualification, and in the construction industry well-qualified employees can help set great businesses apart from the rest.

"Furthermore, apprentices learn while in employment, which means businesses can teach their apprentices exactly what they need to know to do the best possible job.

"This goes to show hiring an apprentice has numerous benefits, even for small businesses."

Visit [www.apprenticeships.org.uk](http://www.apprenticeships.org.uk) or call 08000 150 600 for more information.

## Social enterprise motoring ahead

PLANS to convert Ramsgate's former motor museum into a business centre run by young entrepreneurs have been unveiled to the public.

The Project Motorhouse team of local business leaders wants to turn the building into a complex containing an indoor/outdoor theatre, restaurant and bar, cafe, shop, function rooms and offices, with young people helping to run the venue so they can develop their own skills.

Residents were able to view the proposals as part of Ramsgate Art's Summer Squall Festival, which took place last Bank Holiday weekend.

Project co-ordinator Janet Fielding said: "Because of the current funding climate, Thanet council wanted us to produce a business plan which shows the building can run without any Government funding.

"Because we're a social enterprise, it also has to benefit the community. It was quite a challenge but we've worked hard on it and we believe we have something which can deliver on both fronts."

The works are estimated to cost £5 million.

# Work Trials scheme 'should be extended'

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THE Federation of Small Businesses says extending the Government's Work Trials scheme could help create an extra 1,500 jobs in Kent and Medway.

Work Trials are voluntary programmes which allow potential employees to try a role before taking on a permanent position within a business, but they are currently only available to jobseekers who have been on the dole for at least six months.

With about 1.6 million people in the UK having been out of work for up to a year and unemployment in Kent and Medway currently in excess of 33,000, the FSB believes the Government needs to do more to get people back earning.

And according to the federation's 'Voice of Small Business' survey, almost a quarter of firms believe an extension of the Work Trials scheme would act as an incentive to taking on staff.

FSB chairman for Kent and Medway, Roger House, said: "Small businesses are more likely to hire people who have been in long-term unemployment, and Work Trials are a good way to get people back into work and learning skills, and for small businesses to move forward with taking on staff and growing.

"Small firms are willing to play their part in tackling unemployment but lack confidence in their business prospects and the economy, and don't have the resources to do so."

Mr House believes that if Work Trials are made available to unemployed people from the first day they claim the Jobseekers' Allowance, it could help to

create an extra 1,500 jobs in Kent and 46,000 throughout the UK.

Work Trials are beneficial for both the employer and the employee because they offer key skills to help businesses move forward while at the same time ensuring the person on the scheme is learning new things.

Research also shows that nearly half of all jobs beginning with a Work Trial have led to a permanent job in that business.

Mr House said: "Extending Work Trials could help create an extra 1,500 much-needed jobs in Kent and help people get back into work at such a difficult time, so the FSB is urging the Government to extend this very straightforward scheme from the first day someone signs on.

"The Government simply must do more if it wants the private sector to pick up the slack from public sector cuts. This would be a good start in helping to tackle unemployment."

Meanwhile, the 'Voice of Small Business' survey also revealed that firms would employ more staff if the Government reduced National Insurance contributions.

It also showed that insufficient work and uncertainty over contracts (37 per cent), the state of the economy (33 per cent), cash-flow (31 per cent) and the cost of credit (16 per cent) are preventing them from employing people.



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### Fitness instructor course will set teenagers on path to healthy future

A NEW fitness instructor course for 16-18-year-olds will begin in Medway this month.

The Active IQ programme starts on Wednesday, September 21 at Woodlands Community Centre in Gillingham, and is free to anyone not in education or training.

The one-year course is run by the Medway Adult and Community Learning Service (MACLS) and is for school or college leavers interested in pursuing a career in health and fitness.

Matt Simmonds completed a personal training course with MACLS last year and now runs his own business alongside working at Woodlands Sports Centre in Gillingham.

He said: "Since passing my Level 3 I have started my own personal training business and gained many clients, plus I feel like I'm helping the community get fit for life."

"After a year of training I passed my qualifications and took my first steps into my new

career. A year on and I have multiple personal training clients as well as a very successful boot camp programme and other classes.

"My life has changed since completing the personal training course and I'm hoping for a long and successful career."

For more information call Dan Mace on 01634 338400 or email dan.mace@medway.gov.uk.

Alternatively visit [www.medway.gov.uk/learning](http://www.medway.gov.uk/learning).

### Trainee earns praise from Radio 1 host

RADIO 1 DJ Scott Mills was on hand to congratulate a trainee beautician named the best in the country at the National BTEC Awards.

The popular presenter of the station's early evening show hosted the ceremony at London's Royal Society of Arts, where he presented 20-year-old Canterbury College student Charlotte Hawkins with the prize for 'Outstanding BTEC Student in Beauty and Hospitality'.

The Sittingbourne resident beat more than 450 other young adults to scoop the prize, having just completed her National Diploma in Beauty Therapy Sciences and achieving distinctions in all units.

She even completed the course two months early before landing a job at the Julie Gamble Skincare Centre in Sittingbourne, where she did work experience while studying.

Charlotte said of her award: "It's very overwhelming but I'm really happy."

"Doing the course definitely prepared me well, and the staff helped me a lot when it came to finishing earlier. They had to mark all my work earlier to get me done in time."

Charlotte was nominated for the award by Canterbury College tutor Paula Dennis, who also attended the presentation ceremony along with Charlotte's mother Sally.

Also present at the bash were Dragons' Den entrepreneur Peter Jones and the minister for further education, skills and lifelong learning, John Hayes (Con).

This year the college's beauty and holistic



**AWARD:** Charlotte Hawkins with DJ Scott Mills

therapies department will move into a new multi-million pound building with state-of-the-art facilities including five new training salons and a professional commercial salon with a barber shop, nail bar and luxury beauty cubicles.

There will also be a spa with sauna, steam and spa pools, and dry floatation and relaxation rooms.

Subjects covered include hairdressing, beauty therapy, nail services, spa therapies and more, in addition to a range of part-time courses.

Visit [www.canterburycollege.ac.uk/salons](http://www.canterburycollege.ac.uk/salons).

### Open day for students who cannot find the time for a full-time course

THE University of Greenwich at Medway is holding an open evening for prospective students interested in part-time courses.

On Wednesday, visitors will be able to talk to tutors, find out about student finance and take a tour of the campus at Chatham Maritime.

They will also be able to make an application and potentially receive an offer and enrol if they bring copies of their qualifications and a form of ID.

Tutors teaching construction, science, engineering, food safety and business will be present on the evening.

A spokesman said: "The University of Greenwich has a long tradition of offering part-time study, and the majority of its courses can be attended part-time."

"Visitors can also learn how to work towards a degree through applied professional studies. This allows students to design their own flexible,

work-based degree course, giving them the chance to build a course of learning to suit their individual needs and meet their current and future career goals.

"This means of studying is suitable for those looking to achieve a university-level qualification but cannot find the time to attend all lectures and classes."

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## PLANNING

### THE MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL Town and Country Planning Act Notice of Applications

**MA/11/0853/N** - HOLLINGBOURNE MANOR, UPPER STREET, HOLLINGBOURNE, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME17 1UN - An application for listed building consent for the replacement of existing garage door with lighter electric operated door. **Reason: 3**

**MA/11/1002/N** - PURPLEHILL WORKS, WHITE HILL ROAD, DETLING, BREDHURST, KENT, ME14 3HH - Redevelopment of existing commercial site to provide 9 units for B1 light industrial use. **Reason: 6**

**MA/11/1228/S** - TUTSHAM FARM, HUNT STREET, WEST FARLEIGH, KENT, ME15 ONE - Change of use of land to provide sand school with associated works including parking area, erection of fencing and entrance gate and widening of existing vehicle access. **Reason: 1**

**MA/11/1230/N** - 50, LOWER STONE STREET, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME15 6NA - Demolition and replacement of a single storey rear extension and replacement of windows. **Reason: 1, 2**

**MA/11/1231/N** - 50, LOWER STONE STREET, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME15 6NA - An application for listed building consent for the demolition and replacement of a single storey rear extension and internal works. **Reason: 3**

**MA/11/1252/S** - TANNER FARM, GOUDHURST ROAD, MARDEN, TONBRIDGE, KENT, TN12 9ND - Erection of detached garage and log store. **Reason: 1**

**MA/11/1253/S** - TANNER FARM, GOUDHURST ROAD, MARDEN, TONBRIDGE, KENT, TN12 9ND - An application for listed building consent for the demolition of existing woodshed store and erection of detached garage and log store. **Reason: 3**

**MA/11/1254/N** - UNIT 3 DETLING AERODROME, AERODROME APPROACH, DETLING, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME14 3HU - Erection of a single storey temporary cold storage building ancillary to the existing DCS Cold Storage Operations. **Reason: 6**

**MA/11/1289/N** - CHICHELE, THE GREEN, BEARSTED, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME14 4ED - Erection of extensions to South West and South East elevations to first floor, ground floor and lower ground floor level. **Reason: 1, 2**

**MA/11/1306/S** - 3, SOUTH BANK, SUTTON VALENCE, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME17 3BE - Retrospective application for the erection of a summerhouse and raised decking. **Reason: 1, 2**

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**Rob Jarman** Head of Development Management, Maidstone Borough Council, Maidstone House, King Street, Maidstone, Kent ME15 6JQ. Dated: **4th September 2011**.



### Town and Country Planning Acts

The Council is required to give notice of the following applications

**11/01434/FUL** - **Luigis Hand Car Wash 11 London Road, Broadwater**  
- Hand car wash and valeting service (Retrospective) (CA)

**11/01897/HOUSE 24** - **Broadwater Down Royal Tunbridge Wells, Broadwater**  
- Widening of existing crossover (CA)

**11/02485/FUL** - **Hartley Dyke Farm Hartley Road, Cranbrook And Sissinghurst**  
- Change of use of agricultural land to accommodate additional parking and amenity area, and extension to existing industrial Unit 5 with parking (LB)

**11/02491/HOUSE** - **Pauls Water Lane, Hawkhurst**  
- Conversion of remaining part of barn to ancillary residential accommodation (PROW) (LB)

**11/02495/LBC** - **Pauls Water Lane, Hawkhurst**  
- Listed Building Consent - Conversion of remaining part of barn to ancillary residential accommodation (LB)

**11/02376/LBC** - **The Coach House Broadford, Horsmonden**  
- Listed building consent - removal of stud wall from bedroom to enlarge room (LB)

**11/02405/HOUSE** - **22 Madeira Park Royal Tunbridge Wells, Pantiles & St Marks**  
- Three storey extension to rear (CA)

**11/02474/HOUSE** - **51A Frant Road Royal Tunbridge Wells, Pantiles & St Marks**  
- Raising of parapet walls and conversion of existing flat roofs with slated pitch roofs. Provision of porch canopy (CA)

**11/02499/TELN5** - **Pavement Near Junction With Claremont Road Grove Hill Road, Park**  
- Telecommunications Notification: Installation of 1.6m high green telecommunications cabinet (CA)

(DEV/PLN) Departure from the Development Plan (PROW) Affecting A Public Right of Way (CA) Affecting a Conservation Area (LB) Affecting a Listed Building (MAJOR) Major Applications (MAST) Mast Applications (EIA) Applications Accompanied by an EIA Statement.

You may view these applications on our website ([www.tunbridgewells.gov.uk](http://www.tunbridgewells.gov.uk)), at the Old Fire Station, Stone Street, Cranbrook or at Gateway, 8 Grosvenor Road, Tunbridge Wells. We accept comments online, by email to [planningcomments@tunbridgewells.gov.uk](mailto:planningcomments@tunbridgewells.gov.uk) or in writing to the address below. Comments should be made within 21 days from the date of this notice, although we may accept them after this date.

You should quote the reference and be aware that we make all comments available for inspection, placing them on the file and publishing them on the internet. We do not publish signatures, telephone numbers or email addresses on the internet.

Jim Kehoe  
Head of Planning Services  
Town Hall Royal Tunbridge Wells TN1 1RS

Dated: 3 September 2011



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## PREMISES/ GOODS LICENCES

### LICENSING ACT 2003:

#### Application for Premises Licence

Take notice that Lisa Wilding has made an application under section 41A of the Licensing Act 2003 for a premises licence for Kaiser News, 237 Canterbury Street, Gillingham, Kent ME7 5XE

The application is for the Sale of Alcohol between 06:00hrs and 23:00hrs.

This application has been made to Medway Council, Gun Wharf, Dock Road, Chatham Kent, ME4 4TR. Full details of the application and plans can be viewed at Gun Wharf, Dock Road, Chatham Kent, ME4 4TR during normal hours of business.

Any interested party who wishes to make a representation about this application should do so in writing to Medway Council, Gun Wharf, Dock Road, Chatham Kent, ME4 4TR or by sending an email to [licensing@medway.gov.uk](mailto:licensing@medway.gov.uk), no later than 29 September 2011.

It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application which, upon conviction, carries a maximum fine of £5,000.

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## Planning applications



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Notice under Section 67 and/or Section 73 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990

Notice under Regulation 5 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990

Notice under Regulation 5A of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2004

The following applications have been submitted for consideration by the council:

**CA/11/01288/FUL: 8 Albert Road, Canterbury, CT1 1UJ** Enlargement of windows to rear of property and insertion of rooflights.

**Applicant: Mrs Bruce** Reason: Conservation area.

**CA/11/01332/FUL: 70 Beacon Road, Herne Bay, CT6 6DJ** Replacement of timber soffits and fascia boards with uPVC soffits and fascia boards.

**Applicant: Mr Victor Chance** Reason: Conservation area.

**CA/11/01401/FUL: 26 New Dover Road, Canterbury, CT1 3AP** Application for a new planning permission to replace planning permission CA/08/00425/CAN (appeal reference APP/J2210/A/09/2097812/NWF) for demolition of existing dwelling and erection of a block of nine flats with associated parking. (Revised scheme), in order to extend the time limit for implementation. **Applicant: Mr Connolly** Reason: Conservation area.

**CA/11/01410/FUL: 48A Island Wall, Whitstable, CT5 1EW** Erection of conservatory to rear of dwelling. **Applicant: Mr N Plumpton**

Reason: Conservation area.

**CA/11/01434/LB: 48A Island Wall, Whitstable, CT5 1EW** Erection of conservatory to rear of dwelling. **Applicant: N Plumpton**

Reason: Work to a listed building.

Any representations should be sent in writing to the Head of Planning and Regeneration, Canterbury City Council, Military Road, Canterbury CT1 1YW or e-mailed to [development.control@canterbury.gov.uk](mailto:development.control@canterbury.gov.uk) to arrive on or before **Monday 26 September 2011**.

The weekly list of applications can be viewed on our website at: [www.canterbury.gov.uk/dcd](http://www.canterbury.gov.uk/dcd)

**Ian Brown, Head of Planning and Regeneration**

Friday 2 September 2011

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**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (CANTERBURY) (TRAFFIC REGULATION AND STREET PARKING PLACES) (AMENDMENT NO 2A) ORDER 2011**

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above Order under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), 4(1) and (2), 32(1), 35(1), 45, 46, 49 and 53 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act:

The effect of the Order is to further amend the Kent County Council (Canterbury) (Traffic Regulation and Street Parking Places) Order 2010 by introducing new or varying existing parking and waiting restrictions on the following lengths of road in Canterbury.

157	Winchester Gardens	New double yellow lines around the turning head.
213	Cherry Drive and Hillside Avenue	New double yellow lines.
215	Glen Iris Avenue and Close	Extend double yellow lines on the northern side, near St Thomas Hill and in Glen Iris Close.
230	Hales Drive	20 minute and two hour parking bays, new double yellow lines.
267	Barton Mill Road	New double yellow lines.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (HERNE BAY) (TRAFFIC REGULATION AND STREET PARKING PLACES) (AMENDMENT NO 2A) ORDER 2011**

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above Order under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), 4(1) and (2), 32(1), 35(1), 45, 46, 49 and 53 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act:

The effect of the Order is to further amend the Kent County Council (Herne Bay) (Traffic Regulation and Street Parking Places) Order 2010 by introducing new or varying existing parking and waiting restrictions on the following lengths of road in Herne Bay.

399	Lower Herne Road	New double yellow lines near No 25.
400	Streetfield	New single yellow lines in the two way part.
410	Woodrow Chase	New double yellow lines on the bend near No 55.
415	Mill Lane	New double yellow lines at the junction with Mount View Road.
531	Greenhill Road (East)	New double yellow lines.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (WHITSTABLE) (TRAFFIC REGULATION AND STREET PARKING PLACES) (AMENDMENT NO 2A) ORDER 2011**

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above Order under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), 4(1) and (2), 32(1), 35(1), 45, 46, 49 and 53 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act:

The effect of the Order is to further amend the Kent County Council (Whitstable) (Traffic Regulation and Street Parking Places) Order 2010 by introducing new or varying existing parking and waiting restrictions on the following lengths of road in Whitstable.

607	Marine Crescent	Prohibition of overnight parking by motor caravans
625	Northwood Road and Queens Road	New double yellow lines at road junctions.
640	Westmeads Area	New double yellow lines at road junctions.

675	West Cliff	New double yellow lines on the north side of the road.
680	Belmont Road	Extend double yellow lines on the northern side.
W2	Tower Hill	Formalise the existing free parking bays.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (CANTERBURY RURAL PARISHES) (TRAFFIC REGULATION AND STREET PARKING PLACES) (AMENDMENT NO 2A) ORDER 2011**

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above Order under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), 4(1) and (2), 32(1), 35(1), 45, 46, 49 and 53 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act:

The effect of the Order is to further amend the Kent County Council (Canterbury Rural Parishes) (Traffic Regulation and Street Parking Places) Order 2010 by introducing new or varying existing parking and waiting restrictions on the following lengths of road in rural parishes in the Canterbury District.

150	Nackington Road, Lower Hardres	New single yellow lines between Langton Lane and Merton Lane (North).
865	Church Hill, Harbledown	New double and single yellow lines between Hopebourne and Kent College.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, CITY OF CANTERBURY) (PROHIBITION OF STOPPING ON FOOTWAY OR VERGE)(AMENDMENT NO 1A) ORDER 2011**

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above Order under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), 4(1) and 4(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act:

The effect of the Order is to further amend the Kent County Council (Various Roads, City of Canterbury) (Prohibition of Stopping on Footway or Verge)(Amendment No 1) Order 2011 by introducing new or varying existing parking and waiting restrictions on the following lengths of road in the Canterbury District.

170	Hollow Lane	On both sides between Wincheap and Homersham.
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The orders were made on 26 August and come into force on 23 September. Full details are contained in the Orders which, together with a statement of the council's reasons for making the orders, the relevant maps and a copy of any orders amended by the orders may be examined at the Canterbury City Council Offices, Military Road, Canterbury, CT1 1YW, during normal office hours.

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Orders or any of the provisions contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the relevant enabling Act or that any requirement of any such enabling Act or of any regulations made thereunder have not been complied with may within six weeks from the date on which the Orders were made make application to the High Court for this purpose.

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WYE LEVEL CROSSING, WYE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of level crossing maintenance, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Wye Level Crossing, Wye, on or after 11 September 2011 from 8.00 am until 8.00 pm.

Bridge Street will be closed at the Level Crossing.

There will be no access for through traffic from Harville Road / Bramble Lane into the village of Wye.

The alternative route is via Bridge Street, Churchfield Way, High Street, Upper Bridge Street, Oxentum Road, Naccolt Road, Hinxhill Road, The Street (Willesborough), A2070 Kennington Road and Willesborough Road, A28 Canterbury Road and Harville Road.

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, CHILHAM)

(PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF TRAFFIC MOVEMENTS) ORDER 2011

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

NOTICE is hereby given that the Kent County Council, in exercise of its powers under Sections 1 and 2 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, has made an Order, the effect of which is to:-

Extend the existing Width Restriction (6' 6") and Prohibition of Buses restrictions on the following lengths of road in the Parish of Chilham :-

**Taylor's Hill** - from its junction with The Square, in a westerly direction for a distance of 178 metres.

**Bagham Road** - from its junction with Felborough Close in a south westerly direction for a distance of 126 metres.

**Branch Road** - for its entire length.

A copy of the Order, which comes into operation on 10 October 2011, together with an explanatory statement and a map showing the lengths of roads affected by the new provisions may be inspected during normal office hours at the offices of the Kent County Council, Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone ME14 1XX. Anyone may, by application to the High Court within 6 weeks of the date of publication of this Notice, challenge the validity of the Orders or of any provision contained in them on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or of any instrument made there under, or that there has been a failure to comply with any statutory requirement in relation to the Orders.

HIGHWAYS - Borough of Canterbury

CHARTHAM LEVEL CROSSING, CHARTHAM (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of Network Rail engineering works at the level crossing, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Chartham Level Crossing, Chartham, on or after 11 September 2011.

The planned closure times are from Sunday 11 September 2011 at 2.00 am until Monday 12 September at 2.00 am.

Station Road, Chartham will be closed at Chartham Level Crossing.

The alternative route is via Station Road, A28 Ashford Road, Shalmsford Street, Bolts Hill, Parish Road and Church Lane.

GREENHILL BRIDGE ROAD, HERNE BAY (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of footbridge refurbishment works, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting northbound traffic on B2205 Greenhill Bridge Road, Herne Bay, on or after 10 September 2011 for up to 2 days or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed northbound (except for service buses) between the junctions with A2990 (Old) Thanet Way and Sea Street.

The alternative route is via A2990 (Old) Thanet Way, Canterbury Road, High Street, Avenue Road and Sea Street.

Southbound traffic is unaffected.

A further closure is provisionally planned for 23 October 2011.

MARINE PARADE, WHITSTABLE (PROHIBITION OF WAITING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

For the safety of the public whilst building works are carried out, Kent County Council intends to make made an Order prohibiting waiting on Marine Parade,

Whitstable as shown below, on or after 19 September 2011 for up to 1 year or until the works have been completed.

The section of Marine Parade affected is on the north side opposite properties 39 to 42-43, for a distance of approximately 70 metres, as denoted by a single yellow line.

Waiting is prohibited from Monday to Friday between 7.30 am and 5.00 pm.

MILL LANE, BRIDGE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of excavations to provide a new electricity supply, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Mill Lane, Bridge, on or after 20 September 2011 for up to 4 days or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of 1-3 Park View. There will be no access for through traffic between the junctions with Union Road and Western Avenue.

The alternative route is via Union Road, Saxon Road and Western Avenue.

ST DUNSTAN'S LEVEL CROSSING, CANTERBURY (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of level crossing maintenance, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on St Dunstan's Level Crossing, Canterbury, from 11 September 2011.

It is planned St Dunstan's Street will be closed at the level crossing from Sunday 11 September 2011 at 0.50 am until Monday 12 September 2011 at 3.30 am.

The alternative route is via St Dunstan's Street, London Road, Rheims Way and St Peter's Place.

HIGHWAYS - Borough of Dartford

CHURCH HILL, STONE - (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order restricting the use by vehicular traffic on Church Hill, Stone either side of Stone Level Crossing.

The Order will become effective on 5th September 2011, will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to commence between Sunday 11th September 2011 01.00 and Monday 12th September 2011 03.00. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the above restriction will be via: Church Hill, Stone Place, London Road, St Clements Way, A206, Station Road, Crossways Boulevard, Charles Street and Church Hill

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate Network Rail works.

HIGHWAYS - District of Dover

LUCERNE LANE, MARTIN MILL, DOVER (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of essential railway bridge repairs, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Lucerne Lane, Martin Mill, Dover, on or after 5 September 2011 for up to 3 weeks or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed for a distance of approximately 20 metres either side of the bridge.

The alternative route is via The Street, East Langdon Road, Hollands Hill and Station Road.

It is planned that the works will be carried out between the hours of 9.00 am and 4.00 pm each day, with the road re-opened outside these hours.

TEMPLAR STREET, DOVER (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of the use of a mobile crane to replace a communications mast, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Templar Street, Dover, on or after 25 September 2011 between 8.00 am and 8.00 pm.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of the gates to the railway line.

There is no alternative route, as the road is a cul-de-sac. Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times, with emergency access allowed if required.

WESTCOURT LANE, SHEPHERDSWELL (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of works to provide a new wastewater connection, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Westcourt Lane, Shepherdswell, on or after 19 September 2011 for up to 2 weeks or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of property no. 62.

There will be no access for through traffic between the junctions with Westcourt Downs and Eythorne Road.

The alternative route is via Westcourt Downs, Long Lane, Barfestone Road and Eythorne Road.

HIGHWAYS - Borough of Maidstone

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (PARK ROAD, MARDEN) (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Park Road, between Five Oak Lane and Thom Road on or after Monday 5th September 2011 when required for a period of up to 3 months or until such works are complete.

The alternative route is via Pagehurst Road, Five Ash Lane, Five Oak Lane.

South East Water apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works that are necessary to install a water main. Should you require any further information about these works, their contact is Anthony Kavanagh on 01634 276117.

HIGHWAYS - Boroughs of Maidstone & Swale

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (SOUTH STREET ROAD, WEST WOOD ROAD, YELSTED ROAD, COX STREET, MAGPIE LANE, STOCKBURY & HARTLIP) (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on the routes described in the Schedule.

The alternative routes as described will be noted in the schedule. Access will be maintained up to the points of closure. The Order will become effective on Monday 5th September 2011, will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months.

Schedule

Road Name:	South Street Road, Stockbury
Extent:	Hill Green Road to Chalky Road
Dates:	Start: 5th September 2011 End: 6th September 2011
Diversion:	West Wood Road, Hill Green Road
Road Name:	West Wood Road, Stockbury
Extent:	Plum Tyree Lane to South Street Road
Dates:	Start: 7th September 2011 End: 9th September 2011
Diversion:	Hill Green Road, Yelsted Road
Road Name:	Yelsted Road, Stockbury
Extent:	Yelsted Lane to West Wood Road
Dates:	Start: 12th September 2011 End: 13th September 2011
Diversion:	Hill Green Road, Plum Tree Lane, West Wood Road

Road Name:	Cox Street, Stockbury
Extent:	Yelsted Lane to White Hill Road
Dates:	Start: 14th September 2011 End: 16th September 2011
Diversion:	Southbound traffic: White Hill Road, Matts Hill Road, Matts Hill, Yaugher Lane, Magpie Lane. Northbound traffic: Yelsted Lane, Yelsted Road, Bimbury Lane, Aerodrome Approach, A249 Detling Hill, Scragged Oak Road, Cox Street

Road Name:	Magpie Lane, Hartlip
Extent:	Cox Street to Cox Street
Dates:	Start: 3rd October 2011 End: 21 October 2011
Diversion:	Cox Street

South East Water apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works that are necessary for a mains laying scheme. Should you require any further information about these works, their contact is Ben McKellar on 01634 276117.

HIGHWAYS - District of Sevenoaks

HOLE LANE EDENBRIDGE - (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order restricting the use by vehicular traffic on Hole Lane Edenbridge between Guildables Lane and Main Road.

The Order will become effective on 19th September 2011, will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to commence 24th September 2011 and last 1 week. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the above restriction will be via: Guildables Lane, Swaynesland Road, Dairy Lane and Main Road.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate road excavation for new electric supply.

LULLINGSTONE LANE, EYNSFORD - (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order restricting the use by vehicular traffic on Lullingstone Lane, Eynsford 20m either side of bridge.

The Order will become effective on 19th September 2011, will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to last 3 weeks between 20.00 - 05.30. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate repairs to rail over road bridge.

HIGHWAYS - District of Shepway

IVYCHURCH ROAD, SNAVE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

To allow the Highways Agency to safely work on the adjacent A2070 Trunk Road, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Ivychurch Road, Snave, on or after 5 September 2011 for up to 5 days or until the works have been completed.

Ivychurch Road will be closed to west-bound traffic at the junction with the A2070, preventing traffic joining the A2070 at this point.

The alternative route is to continue north on the section of Ashford Road which passes Manor Farm then join the A2070 approximately 0.6 miles further north.

Traffic entering Ivychurch Road from the A2070 will be unaffected.

THE OLD HIGH STREET, FOLKESTONE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

For further information, please contact  
Kent Highway Services,  
on 08458 247 800 (local rate)  
or visit [www.kent.gov.uk/highways](http://www.kent.gov.uk/highways)



## HIGHWAYS

Because of works to provide new gas supplies, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on The Old High Street, Folkestone, on or after 20 September 2011 for up to 5 days or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of numbers 10-12. There will be no access for through traffic between the junctions with Bayle Street and Tontine Street.

There is no alternative route. Every effort will be made to maintain access for businesses whenever it is safe to do so.

**HIGHWAYS - District Of Swale**

**CLOCKHOUSE LANE, BOUGHTON-UNDER-BLEAN (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

To allow safe access for telegraph pole renewal, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Clockhouse Lane, Boughton-under-Blean, on or after 8 September 2011 for up to 1 week or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed from the junction with Selling Road for a distance of approximately 400 metres.

The alternative route is via Selling Road and Brenley Lane.

**HIGHWAYS - District of Thanet**

**ALL SAINTS AVENUE, MARGATE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of works to connect an inspection chamber to the waste water system, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on All Saints Avenue, Margate, on or after 5 September 2011 for up to 2 weeks or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of Arlington House.

The alternative route is via Canterbury Road and All Saints Avenue (note there is a 12' 9" height restriction on this road).

**BELGRAVE ROAD, MARGATE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of works to provide a new telephone connection, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Belgrave Road, Margate, on or after 19 September 2011 for up to 3 nights or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed between 9.00 pm and 6.00 am each night, and re-opened outside these hours.

The closure is between the junctions with Marine Gardens and Eaton Hill.

The alternative route is via A254 Eaton Road, A255 Grosvenor Gardens (High Street, Ramsgate Road and Queen's Avenue in reverse), B205 Churchfields, Churchfield Place, Hawley Square, Cecil Street, Cecil Square, Queen Street and A205 Marine Gardens.

**PROSPECT ROAD, BIRCHINGTON (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of gas mains replacement works, Kent County

Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Prospect Road, Birchington, on or after 5 September 2011 for up to 5 days or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed outside number 25.

The alternative route is via Kent Gardens, Surrey Gardens, Minnis Road, Station Road and Prospect Road.

The One-way Traffic Order in respect of Prospect Road, between the junctions with Station Road and Westfield Road, will be suspended.

**READING STREET & BALLIOL ROAD, BROADSTAIRS (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of gas mains replacement works, Kent County Council intends to make an Order restricting traffic on Reading Street and Balliol Road, Broadstairs, as shown below, on or after 19 September 2011 for up to 4 weeks or until the works have been completed.

**READING STREET** will become one-way, westbound only, between the junctions with Balliol Road and Beacon Road.

Eastbound traffic will be diverted via Beacon Road and Balliol Road.

**BALLIOL ROAD** will become one-way, eastbound only, between the junctions with Beacon Road and Old Green Road.

Eastbound traffic will be diverted via Beacon Road and Reading Street

Traffic will be unable to turn left from Old Green Road into Balliol Road.

**THE VALE, BROADSTAIRS (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of works to provide a new gas supply, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on The Vale, Broadstairs, on or after 20 September 2011 for up to 5 days or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of number 11.

There will be no access for through traffic between the junctions with Ramsgate Road and St George's Road.

The alternative route is via Ramsgate Road, Gladstone Road and The Vale.

**HIGHWAYS - Borough of Tunbridge Wells**

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (ALDERS ROAD, CAPEL) (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Alders Road outside Dovecote Inn on or after Monday 19th September 2011 when required for a period of up to 1 day or until such works are complete.

The alternative route is via B2017 Five Oak Green Road/Badsell Road, A228 Maidstone Road.

BT Openreach apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works that are necessary for the provision of a new telegraph pole. Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Rachel Cross on 08700 500792.

**HIGHWAYS - Borough of Tunbridge Wells**

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (FIELD GREEN, SANDHURST) (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road, the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Field Green (fox hall Lane) Sandhurst on or after Thursday 22nd September 2011 for an estimated period of up to 5 days or until such works are completed.

**The alternative route is via Foxhole Lane, Rye Road (A268), Sponden Lane, Mill Street, Coldharbour Road and Hinksden Road and vice versa**

UK Power Networks apologise for any inconvenience caused, which are necessary to install a new electricity supply. Should you require any further information regarding these works, their contact is Jeff Gardener on 07920150833.

**For further information or comment please call Kent Highway Services on 08458 247 800.**

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (MOUNT PLEASANT AVENUE, TUNBRIDGE WELLS) (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Mount Pleasant Avenue between numbers 64 and 74 on or after Wednesday 7th September 2011 when required for a period of up to 3 days or until such works are complete.

South East Water apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works that are necessary for a new connection. Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Richard Rogers of Clancy Docwra on 01634 276090.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, TUNBRIDGE WELLS) (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) (NO RIGHT TURN) TEMPORARY ORDER 2011**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on the routes described in the Schedule.

The alternative routes as described will be noted in the schedule. Access will be maintained up to the points of closure. The Order will become effective on Saturday 24th September 2011 when required for a period of up to 18 weeks or until such works are complete (excluding 5th December 2011 to 6th January 2012) and will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months.

**Schedule**

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Extent:	Sandrock Road for 60m east
Diversion:	Ferndale, Sandhurst Road, A264 Pembury Road, Sandrock Road
Road Name:	Carlton Road, Tunbridge Wells
Extent:	Sandrock road for 20m south
Diversion:	Calverley Park Gardens, Calverley Road, Lansdowne Road
Road Name:	St James Road, Tunbridge Wells
Extent:	Prohibit southbound traffic from Beulah Road to Sandrock Road
Diversion:	Beulah Road, Camden Road, Calverley Road, Lansdowne Road
Road Name:	Sandrock Road, Tunbridge Wells
Extent:	Prohibit right turn from Sandrock Road into St James Road
Diversion:	Lansdowne Road, Calverley Road, Camden Road, Albion Road, St James Road

The purpose of the Order is for gas mains replacement to be undertaken by Southern Gas Networks.

For further information or comment please call John Adsley of Southern Gas Networks on 07774 983419.

**Katherine Kerswell**  
Group Managing Director  
Invicta House  
County Hall,  
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Kent ME14 1XQ

Dated 4th September 2011

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### BIRTHS

#### CLARK

Sarah and Paul celebrate the birth of their daughter Hollie, born on the 2nd July, 2011, weighing 7lb 3oz. Lots of love mummy, daddy and big sister Sophie.

#### EXTANCE-VAUGHAN

James and Nicola celebrate the birth of their son Zachary Maddox on 23rd July, 2011. Our beautiful and precious son.

#### GRAY

Karen and Simon would like to announce the birth of their son Andrew George Gray, born on Saturday, 6th August, 2011, at 7.59am, weighing 7lb 11oz.

#### HOLMES

Ella Grace Holmes born on the 29th July, 2011, weighing 3lb 11oz. Daughter to Karen and Gavin, born in Maidstone Hospital.

#### MASON

Katie and Timothy Mason celebrate the birth of their son Nathaniel Elliot Mason on 14th August, 2011.

#### THOMAS

Christina and Alyn Thomas celebrate the birth of their beautiful daughter Ava Ellen, born 4th July at Maidstone Hospital weighing 8lb 9oz. Making all our dreams come true.

#### URQUHART

Phil, Jo and Ollie celebrate the birth of William Philip Scott Urquhart on 28th July, 2011, weighing 9lb 12oz.

### DEATHS

#### BOND

Alan Bond of Westgate-on-Sea passed away peacefully on 18th August, 2011. Funeral service at Thanet Crematorium at 12 noon on Monday, 5th September. Family flowers only. Donations to R.N.L.I via

Gores Funeral Directors, Westgate.

#### COOK

In loving memory of Barry Cook, beloved husband, father and grandfather who left this life on 21st August, 2011. Forever in our hearts. xxx

#### GASSON

Chris Gasson died peacefully on 21st August, 2011. Funeral at Charring Crematorium on the 9th September, 11.20am. Family flowers only. All enquiries to A W Court Funeral Directors.

#### HYSLOP

Irene Hyslop died peacefully on 17th August, 2011. Funeral service at Vinters Park Crematorium at 2pm on Monday, 5th September.

#### WILLS

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ELIZABETH independent, no ties, solvent, fit and healthy, looking for similar passionate male, any age/looks for companionship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 375161

SANDRA green eyed slim brunette, loves to keep fit, very competitive, seeks reliable mature male who can look after me and be loved in return. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 375159

LIDDY 28yr old genuine kind hearted girl looking for older male, 34-46yrs who can replace the other half of me that's missing. ACA. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 375157

ALICIA attractive petite female 22yrs, into dating scene and area, loves nights in/out, WLTm male for adult fun. ACA. can accommodate. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 37135

AMANDA cuddly 36yr old easygoing caring lovely female just looking for love with nice guy, 30-55yrs. Nothing ventured, nothing gained. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 375133

SASHA 28yr old beautiful surfer babe looking for fun initially, maybe more with fit confident male who can handle me. ACA. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 375131

SOCIAL 30, 70's lady, GSOH, N/S, likes cinema, days out, coast, seeks genuine male for friendship. Ashford. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 369297

I'M Gorgeous, lively seeking a similar professional who thinks he can handle me, good times guaranteed. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 369223

STUNNING blonde nurse, 32, funny and romantic, WLTm uncomplicated, reliable male, 50-65yrs for companionship and more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 369221

JACQUELINE 48, medium build, likes nights in/out, seeks male, 40-58 for friendship, maybe more. Maidstone. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 370747

ACTIVE slim female 30yrs, easygoing, honest with GSOH and a passion for life looking for genuine man to fall for, 28-50yrs. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 370097

TANYA 35, Canterbury, brown hair/eyes, no ties, likes nights in/out, cuddles, TLC, seeks male. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 387220

SUE 54, tactile, loving, fun, seeks genuine, loving guy to share good times. Thanet. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373321

VALERIE fun loving, late 60's, wid-ow, slim, blonde, N/S, GSOH, likes walks, meals out, looking for similar male for relationship. Ashford. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373205

ANITA 58, 5ft 3ins, auburn hair, green eyes, likes swimming, bowling, shows, holidays, walks, seeks male. Sittingbourne. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 387416

JO bubbly, fun, red hair, green eyes, 5ft 5ins, likes nights out, dvds, seeks male. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374337

LOVELY tall slim nurse, very caring and fun but missing that va-va-voom! Seeks adventurous male who's up for fun times. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374159

FULL time vacancy arisen for open minded male seeking uncomplicated relationship with slim professional 39yr old female with wicked sense of humour. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374157

LIFE begins at 40! Pam outgoing athletic brunette, tall, slender and attractive, WLTm older male with big personality for lots of fun times. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374558

SUSAN 38, affectionate outgoing medium built brunette, seeking tall male with GSOH for cosy evenings in with a good wine. Status/looks unimportant. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374135

ANITA 58, green eyes, auburn hair, 5ft 3ins, likes shopping, holidays, cinema, shows, seeks male. Sittingbourne. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374745

ANNA 5ft 4ins, 63, N/S, seeks N/S, genuine man for LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374589

JULIE pretty 38yr old Irish female who is lonely as new to the area, looking for male up to 65yrs for tactile companionship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374705

JEANETTE big brown eyed busty fit 10 with lots of interest, searching for a sincere man to share love and life with. ACA. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374703

JENNY very young shy black female looking for reliable, genuine older man to help me become an attentive lover, 40-70yrs. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374701

HELLO I'm Jane, attractive, genuine, caring, intelligent, romantic and single at 38yrs, what are you waiting for? Call me. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374677

CAROL slim, blue eyed attractive lady looking for fun friendship maybe more with open minded male. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374675

KAREN 36, pretty blonde who is stuck in a rut looking for easygoing kinda guy for romantic meals and fun drives out. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374673

LINDA slim green eyed brunette WLTm independent, good looking, fun, outdoorsy type guy with no ties for easygoing relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374133

LISA 19 curvy brown eyed brunette looking for a fun relationship with caring male up to 67yrs who will appreciate and look after me. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374131

LYNNE slim, scatty blonde, mid 50's, looking for some fun and company. Margate. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 386428

LORNA 66, loving, 5ft 4ins, seeks similar gent, 60-70. Hythe. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 387162

LUCY bubbly attractive 32yr old blonde seeking similar naughty boy to share the good side of life with. Age/status unimportant. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373109

AFRICAN female, likes cooking, travel seeks male for fun and friendship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 386712

ATTRACTIVE petite oriental female with no ties WLTm nice respectable man for a loving relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 371577

CONFIDENT and cultured lady, young 39, very attractive, slim and fit seeks mature male, 45-65yrs for wining, dining and more. ACA. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 371575

36YR old professional, blue eyes, blonde, smiley, OHAC WLTm special guy for nights in with lots of cuddles and love. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 371549

BARBARA 46, seeks nice, stocky male up to 50 for friendship, maybe more. Heathrow. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 361701

Hi I'm Louise, an easygoing sensual slim blonde looking for someone to have fun with initially maybe more later. Call me. Any age/status. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373009

CAROLINE size 16, seeks kind, honest, loving gent, 45 plus for LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 371099

PAULINE 38, teacher, easygoing, friendly, likes films, walks, seeks male for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 387358

ANITA 58, auburn hair, green eyes, 5ft 3ins, seeks male. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374009

PAM nice lady, looking for special male who is genuine with GSOH to share life with. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 387332

CLAUDIA curvy size 20, Mediterranean, blonde hair, brown eyes, seeks mature male, 40-55 for friendship, companionship and enjoy life together. Ashford. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373611

ELIZABETH caring, honest, reliable, likes most things, seeks older gent, late 70's for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 395899

FOLKESTONE lady, 57, 5ft 1ins, hazel eyes, medium build, likes walks, good food, seeks caring, affectionate male, large build to share life with. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 371399

LISA N/S, easygoing, friendly, bubbly, petite, likes swimming, football, walking, holidays, pubs, seeks male to share interests with. Eltham. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372595

KATHY attractive single mum 25, slim, dark hair/eyes, fed up with being alone, looking older male for mutual TLC. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372661

EM attractive lady, mild mannered, nice nature, looking for happy times and loving future with appreciative man. Call me. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372659

ACTIVE solvent female with GSOH looking to start life again but this time be a lot more adventurous, care to join me? Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 370181

CONFIDENT fun female bored of spending time alone, looking for fun man to share lots of laughs and good times. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 370177

LADY 56, semi disabled, size 18, seeking a caring, loving, honest gent, 50 plus. Kent. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 365453

LYNNE slim, scatty blonde, mid 50's, looking for some fun and company. Margate. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 386428

CLAIRE Gorgeous fun loving brunette, 29, 5ft 4ins, employed, OHAC, looking for manly male up to 45yrs for no strings good times and fine wine. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373107

26YR old Indian princess looking for discreet older N/S professional male to make life a bit more interesting and share mutual companionship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373089

SHEILA caring 64, blonde hair, blue eyes, 5ft 4ins, medium build, seeks male, 60-70 for friendship/companionship, maybe more. Kent. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373555

CAROLINE 31, Attractive, slim but curvy brunette, witty and fun, seeking relaxed, male for fun times together. Age/looks unimportant. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373007

JACKIE 48, 5ft 3ins, medium build, likes animals, nights in/out, walks, seeks male, 48-58 for friendship, maybe more, preferably a smoker. Maidstone. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 386039

CHARLOTTE 30, sweet French female, long legs, sporty, fit and healthy, seeking well built, fit guy to share interests and show me new ones. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372687

BEAUTIFUL nurse slim size 10, brunette, just looking for a bit of fun and good times with understanding nice younger man. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372685

MONICA 35 attractive black female seeking genuine white male up to 65yrs who can appreciate good times with a lovely lady. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372683

FIT female 39, enjoys good conversation, laughs and walking bare foot in the grass, WLTm similar male for tactile friendship/more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372663

LONELY Folkestone lady, 57, 5ft 1ins, medium build, N/S, seeks caring, considerate male for walks by the sea and pubs. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 371067

CARING female, 64, blonde hair, blue eyes, 5ft 4ins, medium build, seeks male, 60-70 for friendship, maybe more. Kent. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 369593

SUSIE 5ft 7ins, blonde, seeks educated attractive male for loving relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 385476

34YR old blonde new to the area, seeking younger guy for fun times maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 365079

FUN loving curvy red head 32yrs, loves good food/wine, WLTm male who appreciates a real woman and knows what he likes. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 365077

ACADEMIC man sought by female, recent graduate, into art, history, psychology, likes usual activities as well as London art galleries and walks. Brimley. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 365501

ATTRACTIVE confident, lady, 37, independent, HIV Positive, seeks male for companionship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 363415

FUN female 35yrs looking to let her hair down seeks easygoing N/S guy for a relationship, 30-65. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 368001

34YR old single mum of 2, size 16, caring, cuddly, seeks genuine, loving male with GSOH. Ashford. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 386268

FED up with lonely nights in! 33yr old brunette with green eyes WLTm someone 35-50yrs for TLC maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 368913

BEAUTIFUL blue eyed blonde, 26, slim, looking for evenings out with male. ACA. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 368911

22YR old leggy blonde, seeking like-minded man for lots of fun times. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 368909

SLIM attractive, elegant female, likes travel, restaurants, cinema, seeks caring, male, 45-55 for friendship, possible relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 361571

PAT 70's, 5ft, cuddly, seeks male for friendship and days out. Ashford. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 369521

JACKIE 48, 5ft 3ins, medium build, likes animals, nights in/out, walks, seeks male, 48-58 for friendship, maybe more, preferably a smoker. Maidstone. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 386039

ATTRACTIVE mature, outgoing Caribbean female, seeks interesting companion for socialising, good conversation and glass of wine. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 367799

YOUNG 60 something female looking for friendship only with likeminded ladies for meals out, nights out and holidays. Feltham. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 367625

ATTRACTIVE slim 52yr old female, seeks N/S companion, 52-60 to share countryside, walking, swimming, days out, holidays etc. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 369179

JACKIE petite attractive, brown hair/eyes, many interests, OHAC, looking for sincere male who also likes good food and wine. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 370123

WARM well educated 60's female, seeks similar gent to enjoy the simple things of life. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 360479

ATTRACTIVE and any man's dream seeks, outgoing, professional male for evenings in and fun nights out. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 366699

MAIDSTONE lady, pretty, petite, late 50's, honest, caring, N/S, loves life and most things, seeks nice guy for friendship/relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 366501

48YR old female, 5ft 3ins, medium build, likes animals, nights in/out, holidays, coast, seeks male, 48-50, preferably a smoker for LTR. Maidstone. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 365955

DEBS petite brunette, 38yrs, well travelled, loves food and good wine, WLTm affectionate male for nice times. Status unimportant. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372219

YOUNG looking petite female prepared to try anything once, looking for similar open-minded tactile guy for fun loving times. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372217

BRIGHT bubbly chatty brunette with lots to offer to the right person looking for new love who will appreciate a real woman. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 371579

NAUGHTY but nice female, tall, blonde, blue eyes, seeks elderly male, 75-85 for friendship and good fun. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372311

BUBBLY reliable woman, lots to give, 5ft 6ins, seeks tall professional male with lots of TLC for LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372003

30'S female, easy-going, laidback, animal friendly, looking for that special person to share things with, any age/looks. Hope you call. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372233

DONNA 47, bubbly, caring, loving, seeks genuine, loving guy. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 370863

VERY good looking Turkish female looking to meet male 29-45 for fun friendship. Looks/race/status unimportant. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 370183

ATTRACTIVE N/S 52yr old female, likes walks, countryside, pubs, companionship for meals out, holidays and sunshine, any buttons pressed in East Kent area, please call. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 370091

IAN 51, likes snooker, pool, walks, cycling, slight disability, seeks caring, loving female for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 387514

GARY 42, professional, OHAC, independent, enjoys good things in life, seeks female for LTR. Medway. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 387500

ALAN refined gent, GSOH, slim, seeks bi-curious/gay lady to accompany him to parties. East Kent. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374645

JAKE professional, likes most things, seeks attractive female, 30-60 for friendship, maybe more. Medway. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374521

NICK 35yr old white male, 6ft 4ins, muscular, looking for white female, large but curvy. Kent area. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373073

DAVID confident, tall, fun loving Canterbury guy, likes travel, out-doors, reading, seeks female, 35-45 for friendship and good times. Canterbury. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373041

62YR old male, no Tom Cruise, active, likes fun, trying to get life back together after wife died in 2002. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372979

RICHARD 70, 5ft 10ins, medium build, seeks nice, N/S lady, 60-70 for loving relationship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374817

PAUL 56, large build, clean, seeks female, slim-curve for fun and games, possible LTR. Medway. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374927

53YR old bi male, 5ft 11ins, slim, seeks gay/bi male, experienced, up to 65 from Faversham/Sittingbourne area. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 367829

MARTIN bi CD, 50's, seeks similar in the Kent/Medway area for fun times. Can accommodate or travel. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374351

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47YR old female, slim, seeks tall male for relationship. West Sussex. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372783  
SINGLE confident black female 32yrs, very attractive, loves doing fun and interesting things, seeking a real man. Any race/age. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 367999  
LADY 50, single, enjoys nights in/out, cinema, travel, country walks, seeks sincere, genuine male for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 387581  
TALL slim auburn haired sincere female, 37, looking for genuine fun relationship with open-minded male, 40-65yrs. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 372055  
BEAUTIFUL 50 10 figured female, brown hair, big brown eyes 41yrs looking for relaxed relationship with man, 20-38yrs. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 370091

T O N Y green eyed slim, mature 58yr old male, looking for similar female for meals in/out and to enjoy life with. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374795  
DAVE 44, tall, slim, dark hair, brown eyes, seeks female for fun and dates. Medway. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374303  
JONNY young 55, handsome, blue eyes, white hair, seeks attractive, broadminded lady for fun and frolics. Gwatik area. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374211  
DANIEL 60, fun loving, seeks discreet similar female for fun times. Medway. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 387384  
SEAN tall good looking gent, seeking nice lady in the Kent area for days out and romance. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373139  
PATRICK 62, likes walks, cooking, gardening, restaurants, music, seeks N/S partner, 45-60 for new life together. Medway. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373129  
MARK tactile seeks lady 30-60 for discreet adult fun. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373753  
HAPPY easygoing male, 65, easygoing, 6ft, 13st, blue eyes, fit, seeks sincere female, 50-60. Deal. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373741  
GORDON 5ft 8ins, grey/black hair, likes football, gardening, seeks female, 50-55. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373691  
DEREK 46, could Lorna from Hythe please call again with proper number. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 386438  
KEVIN tall, athletic, good looking guy, 38, fashion conscious, seeks adventurous, well presented lady for friendship, maybe more. Any age. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 373331

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IAN 42, inexperienced bisexual, seeks male for fun times. Dartford. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 367941  
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## THE INTERVIEW

John Mayall

## Blues man Mayall back on the road

**T**HE godfather of British blues, John Mayall, comes to Kent this autumn for a gig at The Marlowe Theatre as part of a 25-date UK tour. Now in his 77th year and with more than 60 albums to his credit, Mayall still plays great music and his reputation as a legendary live artist remains undimmed. For his 2011 British outing he is joined by rising blues star Oli Brown as special guest.

"It's great to be out on the road again," he said from his home in Los Angeles. "I've got an incredible band together and we have just come off a tour of Canada and the USA, so we are all in top form."

"Playing England means at least people will understand when I make a joke – which is obviously not the case in many other countries as we play all over the world."

"Audiences will take away the adrenalin of the show and there is some new material along with songs that are synonymous with my career – such as stuff from the early days in London. Those older songs really do please the audience and they have a lot of life in them – they lend themselves to improvisation."

Long known for his ability to pick great guitar-players for his legendary Bluesbreakers, Mayall has done more to spread the story of the blues in this country than any other musician.

From the ranks of the Bluesbreakers came Cream and Fleetwood Mac, while luminaries such as Eric Clapton, Jack Bruce, Peter Green, John McVie, Mick Fleetwood, Mick Taylor, Aynsley Dunbar, Coco Montoya and Walter Trout have all passed through his bands.

From his move to London and the genesis of the band in 1963 through to the current day, John has been hailed as a master bluesman.

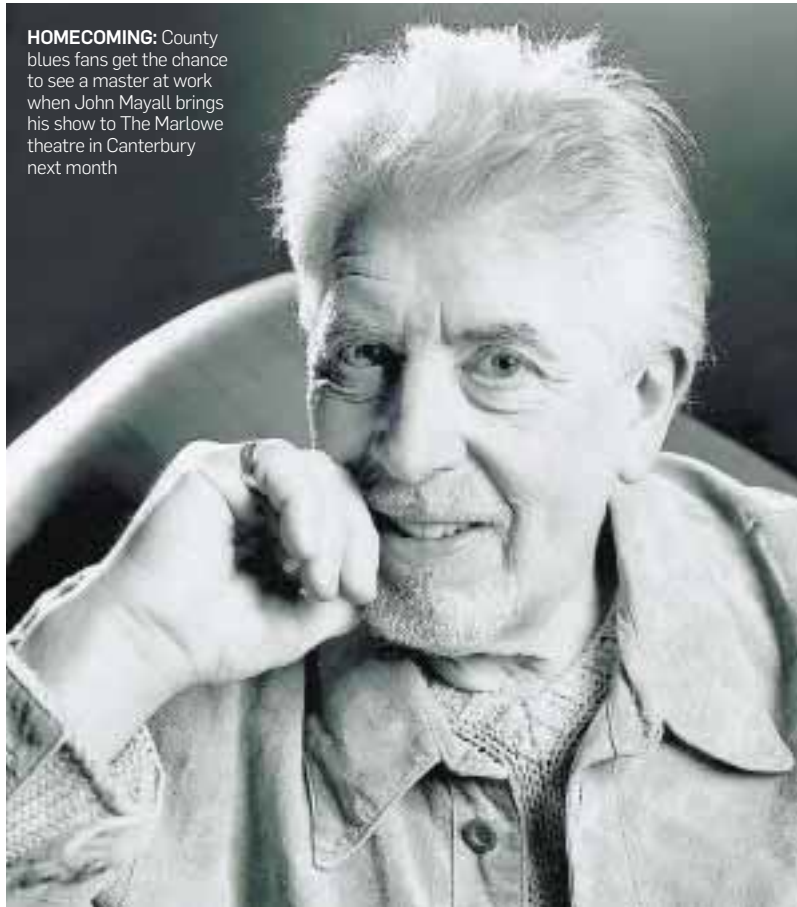
He has played with some of the greatest legends of the 20th century, including Sonny Boy Williamson, T Bone Walker, John Lee Hooker, Otis Rush and Buddy Guy.

Since the disbanding of the Bluesbreakers three years ago, John has been forging new paths with a dynamic new band consisting of Texan guitarist Rocky Athas, along with Chicagoans Greg Rzab on bass guitar and Jay Davenport on drums.

They are the driving force behind the new album *Tough* and the latest DVD *Live In London*, recorded last November. His latest

John Mayall, at 77 very much the grandfather of the British scene, tells **Nick Ames** he can't wait to start his new UK tour in Kent next month

**HOMEcoming:** County blues fans get the chance to see a master at work when John Mayall brings his show to The Marlowe theatre in Canterbury next month



show features songs selected from his 50-year career to the present day and his classic song *Room To Move* still gives everyone a chance to

showcase their talents.

John was one of the first to write about contemporary subject matter in a blues

format and has continued to feature the finest musicians in his many line-ups over the years. In doing so, he gave them opportunities to experiment and develop their individual styles.

He said: "I go to many countries and I always have an audience wherever I go. It's my responsibility on stage to deliver the goods."

"But I always look forward to coming back to Britain and this year will be a special treat for me to showcase my guys."

"One of the reasons I moved to LA, apart from the climate, was the chance to play with musicians I had long admired."

"The guys in the band have to be ones that get along. Some time you are together for 22 and a half hours hand in glove, and after the show and before we laugh and joke, as friends do. The hour and a half we play music – that is the reward, that is what it is all about."

"Recording-wise, there are a lot more technical tools available now than when I started and while not going overboard I do feel they help to shape the sounds."

Guitarist Oli Brown will be John's special guest to open the shows, including that at The Marlowe date set for Tuesday October 25.

Mayall said of him: "He has already come a long way in a short time, and this UK tour should give him the extra exposure he deserves."

At 15, Oli was opening for Buddy Guy and Taj Mahal and four years later he was the only UK act to be selected to play the 2008 International Blues Convention in Memphis.

His debut album *Open Road* was released that year, staying in the blues charts for the next two years.

With the dynamic combination of the two musicians – almost the grandfather and grandson of the genre – Mayall added: "Creative enjoyment is first and foremost... and it's been a great ride so far."

**■ John Mayall performs at The Marlowe Theatre, Canterbury, on Tuesday, October 25. Visit [marlowetheatre.com](http://marlowetheatre.com) or phone 01227 787787 for tickets.**

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## TALKING POINT

## Internet

**F**OR the formerly dwindling seaside towns scattered along the coast of Kent, art is coming to the rescue.

Whether it will be enough to solve the problems of deprivation in places like Margate and Folkestone is probably too soon to tell, but already this sudden attention focused on the county's faded coastline is having a positive impact.

Last month visitor figures at Margate's £17 million Turner Contemporary showed 156,000 people had come through the gallery's doors since April, meeting its yearly target in just three months.

Perhaps more importantly, these visitors also took the time to look around Margate Old Town, which is scattered with boutiques, galleries and stylish cafes – a stark comparison to the run-down high street which was named as the UK's official ghost town last year, based on the number of boarded up shops.

Thanet is the most deprived district in Kent, and Margate the town with the most deprived wards. It was labelled a "dumping ground" for the most vulnerable in society, with a group of head teachers launching a campaign to stop looked-after children being pushed into the area.

But hopes are being pinned on the resurgence of the town, with the Turner Contemporary a major player in its anticipated renaissance.

Director of the Margate Renewal Partnership, Derek Harding, said it was fantastic to see so many people visiting the gallery.

"This is going to be a huge boost for Margate, and the whole area, and we want to involve key businesses to show them the benefits that we believe Turner Contemporary will bring to Thanet," he said.

Owners of South Lodge Guest House, Bill and Christa Hackney, added: "It will do well for the area, the building is very impressive, iconic even, from the outside, but is even more impressive inside.

"We really love the idea to have the public all around the building, looking in, which will act as a draw to get people to visit. It will have a very positive effect for the whole of Thanet, particularly for Margate."

But while some believe the gallery will provide the much-needed boost to the area and its economy, others are not so sure.

Art critic Brian Sewell issued a scathing attack on the Turner calling it as "beautiful as a shed".

He told the BBC: "You might as well make shredded wheat in it. The visitor numbers just mean a lot of curious people looking to see what has been dumped on the shore at Margate. If they continue to shunt school party after school party in, that will boost the numbers. Anyway, that doesn't matter, the only thing that matters is the quality of the experience and that is pretty dire."

Comments left on leading tourism website Trip Advisor also panned the Turner. Of 15 opinions left, 10 were negative, with posters to the site calling it "absolutely disgusting", a "total waste of time" and "dull and disappointing".

But Thanet's residents and business owners are staying positive and hoping the gallery will continue to bring in visitors in their droves, as seen since it opened in April.

Folkestone is another run-down resort thrown into the spotlight over the past few years following the launch of the arts regeneration charity The Creative Foundation, chaired by businessman and former Saga chairman Roger De Haan.

Its aim is to manage a major project involving "restoring the area's vitality" by encouraging enterprise to its Creative Quarter. More than 80 individual buildings are under the control of the charity, with many now fully refurbished.

Around 200 creative individuals have been attracted to the area and the foundation's

## MARIJKE COX looks at the power of the arts when it comes to regenerating the fortunes of our seaside towns



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projects have led to the creation of almost 300 jobs. The three-month Folkestone Triennial, which has seen international artists display their work around the town and seafront, is currently taking place and is believed to have attracted more than 30,000 visitors in the first two weeks of opening.

Gordon Ramsey's right-hand man and former head chef of Michelin-starred restaurant Claridge's, Mark Sargeant, has opened Rocksalt in the harbour, which has also attracted foodies in their masses.

A spokesman for the Creative Foundation said the organisation's key role was to co-ordinate the different elements that make up Folkestone's regeneration.

"The Creative Foundation has breathed new life into often previously uninhabitable buildings by undertaking intensive work to renovate or reconstruct them, so that they can be occupied by the creative businesses and residents that have become part of the creative quarter," he said. "By developing new attractions and publicising events, we hope the project can serve as a case study in regeneration and how to build a successful creative community."

While Margate and Folkestone are climbing

the ladder to successful regeneration, other towns along the Kent coast never seemed to have lost the charm of the 1960s heydays.

Whitstable, once a booming oyster town, is continuing to attract Londoners searching for a British seaside break, with quaint shops, galleries, restaurants and guest houses.

In a study by tourism group CSMA Club, Whitstable was named as one of the fastest growing seaside resorts based on growth in tourism-related business, employment and visitor numbers. But the more run-down Folkestone and Thanet towns were also listed in the top 20, as two of the most popular seaside resorts based on tourist attractions and tourism-related businesses.

Mark Rothery, group chief executive of CSMA Club, said: "The research proves the British seaside is on the way up and with that the quality of hotels and guesthouses has also improved."

Government has announced a multi-million pound fund for voluntary and charitable groups in seaside towns to help make a difference to deprived resorts. MP for South Thanet Laura Sandys said she hoped it would make seaside resorts more than just places to visit but somewhere people want to live.

### THE FUTURE:

The Turner Contemporary Gallery in Margate drew in 156,000 in its first three months of opening. Other coastal towns hope to have as much success at bringing in crowds to boost their local economies

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# KENT REMEMBERED



**REMEMBERING THEM:** The memorial was first erected in 1921, but no names were listed at the time

## Names finally added to village war memorial

**By Mathew Beech**

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A VILLAGE is set to add the names of 70 men and women who lost their lives in the two world wars to its war memorial – 90 years after it was first dedicated.

The names of the fallen servicemen and civilians who lost their lives during the conflicts will be engraved onto five stone tablets at the Saltwood War Memorial, near Hythe.

The memorial was originally dedicated in May 1921, although no names were ever put onto the stone cross.

During the First and Second World War, 66 servicemen and four civilians associated with the village lost their lives.

Inside Saltwood Parish Church, the names of 45 of those can be found on two plaques; thought to have been former members of the congregation. Now those missing from the previous plaques will be recognised.

The re-dedication ceremony will take place on Sunday, September 25, when all 70 names will have been added to the memorial.

The project began three years ago when the village society was looking to adopt a project which the whole community could work towards.

Mike Dugdale, from the Saltwood Village Society, said: "In 2008, the Saltwood Village Society decided they wanted to adopt a village project to raise money for.

"The idea came to me as I was driving past and I was disappointed to see that there were no names on the memorial, so I mentioned it at the



**NAMED:** The updated memorial will be re-dedicated next month

village meeting and everyone adopted it.

"It has taken three years of fundraising and research to get to this point.

"Basically, the money has come from the Saltwood Village Society and more than £6,000 has been raised by the village itself.

"Alongside this, Saltwood Parish Council are renovating the memorial, so it has been given a complete facelift, which was well overdue because it had been neglected.

"It looks fantastic."

The ceremony will see primary school children release one red balloon for every name on the renovated memorial.

It is also hoped that some relatives of the fallen will be able

to turn up to take part in the re-dedication.

Mr Dugdale said: "We put notices out in February to say we were doing this and find out if there were any relatives or descendants, but there was no response.

"Since then, we have had one descendant come forward.

"Their great grandparent was one of those named in the church, but they are the only relative to have come forward so far.

"It has been 90 years since the memorial was put up and people are a lot more mobile but we thought there might be some in Kent.

"We'd love people to come forward who are relatives of those who were not named."

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# Village pub does roaring trade thanks to new chef

**A**S THE recession continues to bite and taxes push up the price of beer ever higher, the Great British pub is having to adapt. Food and the overall restaurant experience is where many pubs make their money, especially those not located in busy towns or cities.

Set out on a picturesque village green, The Red Lion at Hernhill is one such inn that is adjusting to the changes – and is adjusting very well. With young landlord Ben Edwards at the helm, and fresh, locally-produced ingredients at their disposal, the pub has seen diners flooding in.

The 29-year-old chef only took charge in June and has already seen an influx of customers looking to try his traditional menu.

He said: "It has been a lot busier recently – the meals have really picked up. We get far more people in for food than we do drinkers. It's probably about 70:30 ratio in favour of food at the moment."

Edwards, originally from London, has moved his whole life down to Kent so that he can focus on the business.

Having started a part-time kitchen job at The Green Man pub in Chingford at just 14, the chef decided a career in the catering business was where his future lay and put himself through day-release college at Westminster for four years to achieve it.

He said: "I moved to The Royal Oak in Orpington and ended up staying there for 10 years and became the area chef for [pub-management firm] Mitchell & Butlers.

"But our work dried up because of the recession and me and a business partner decided we wanted to get a lease on a pub of our own. That's how we ended up at The Red Lion."

Edwards took sole control of the pub eight weeks ago and has been keen to put his own stamp on things.

He said: "I create the menu using local, seasonal food. If we can buy it locally we will and we tend to use the farms around Hernhill.

"We get asparagus, strawberries, cherries,

**Joe Bill** visits The Red Lion in picturesque Hernhill and finds local input is making a big impression on customers



### VILLAGE SCENE:

Red Lion chef Ben Edwards tries to use only local ingredients in his new menu, which has been well received by diners to the popular village pub

pears and apples, fitting them all into the menu."

The stunning view of the village green alongside the beautiful church and local farmyard goes hand in hand with the menu and its construction.

Edwards said: "It's quite traditional. We just buy a cut of meat and once that goes it will be replaced by whatever is freshest and there at the time. The specials change all the time to fit with the seasons and what we have available to use."

The new landlord has also set about using the internet and social-networking sites to drive customers to the rural pub.

He said: "We set up our new website and we have already had around 3,000 hits, which has come around very quickly. We are also setting

up events with our function room upstairs and our themed nights. There is a guest chef coming for a fine-dining night in October and in November we are having a charity day with a hog-roast on the village green."

The Red Lion, which was originally used as an animal barn, is heavily used by the community, which supports weekly steak nights, where a couple can share two 9oz rump steaks and a bottle of wine for £25.

The Sunday lunch menu, which offers three courses for £15.50, is also popular and draws in up to 100 covers.

■ **For more information about menus and opening times, visit [www.theredlion.org](http://www.theredlion.org) or phone 01227 751207.**

### Farmers' markets

#### Dartford

THE farmers' market is held in the pedestrian area of Dartford high street and is open to the public between 10am and 2pm on the third Friday of the month. There's a variety of produce available, including meat, bread, plants, preserves and fudge.

#### Egerton

EGERTON farmers' market has now been trading every Friday from 2pm to 4.30pm for almost five years, with most of the original stallholders still selling at the market in the Millennium Hall. It is extremely popular and offers a wide range of local produce at competitive prices.

#### Mersham

FEATURING high-quality produce from the immediate area and a newcomer to the growing scene, the market now held at the Farriers Arms in Mersham Forstal is held between 2.30pm and 6.30pm on every second and fourth Friday of the month.

#### Meopham

MEOPHAM farmers' market has been operating since July 2004 in the overflow car park of the Meopham fitness and tennis centre, which is the site of the school and library in Meopham, on the first Sunday of the month from 9am to 12.30pm.

#### Sissinghurst

THIS popular market is located in the ancient Elizabethan barn, next to the Granary restaurant within the famous Sissinghurst National Trust site, on the second Monday of every month, when the gardens are open between midday and 3pm.

#### Iwade

THE farmers' market at Iwade village hall first opened in February 2009. It takes place on the first Sunday of the month from 10am until 1pm, offering fresh local produce with the emphasis on top quality.

■ **For more farmers' markets, visit [www.farmersmarkets.org.uk](http://www.farmersmarkets.org.uk)**

## It's Thai to die for, once you've beaten the menu

A LAST-MINUTE decision to go out for a meal on a Saturday night generally leads to disappointment as all the best places have been booked, so I was relieved when Thai Four Two was able to find me a table.

Situated near the end of Rochester high street, this small restaurant somehow manages to cram in more diners than I'd anticipated, with a covered garden area and an upstairs area, which is where we were led.

The menu contained a good selection of Thai cuisine, ranging from traditional curries to some more unusual dishes that my guests and I never heard of.

This was what I felt to be the one big problem with our dining experience.

While the menu was well stocked, it was incredibly confusing, and although the dishes were well spaced, an abundance of photographs meant

### RESTAURANT Review



prices were often on different pages to dishes, forcing us to take a long time to make our selections.

In the end I opted for tom yum soup with prawns (£4.20). I sometimes find this dish pushes the boundaries of spiciness too far, but in this case the soup was spot on. Another soup, poe

tag with mixed seafood (£4.20), proved sweeter but equally satisfying, while our third starter was fried vegetables with a plum dipping sauce (£3.50).

For the mains I opted for a traditional vegetable green curry (£5.50). I was a little surprised by the heat of the dish, but once I got over the initial shock and downed a glass of water it was just what I'd expected. A side of mixed vegetables (£5.50) also helped balance out the spice.

Another dish chosen was phad poa (£7.50), sizzling seafood which made me wish I'd been a bit more adventurous, even if it did include the biggest pieces of squid I've ever seen.

However, the dish of the day was grilled prawns in tamarind sauce (£9.50). This had just a little heat to it, with a slightly thick sauce that ended up being devoured by all three of us.

Our meals were accompanied by

traditional fragrant rice (£2.20) and phad thai noodles (£4.50), which my guest declared to be the best she'd ever had – she has travelled extensively, so I'd say that was pretty high praise.

For dessert I opted for a coconut custard (£3.20), which was lovely but not a sweet enough choice for me. So instead I stole some of the other dessert on our table – roasted banana, which was simply to die for.

Washed down with a couple of bottles of Mullygrubber wine (£16.95) and followed by a couple of coffees, our meal for three came to £93 and was worth every penny.

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Free Car Ferry  
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## 99p Bar Carry on New Year Party Breaks

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**For over 40s only**Bembridge Coast Hotel,  
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**INCLUDED:**

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Free Car Ferry  
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Friday, 12 noon to 11pm Saturday & Sunday - house beers & spirits, wine by the glass, pumped soft drinks & mixers

- Bed, breakfast & 3 course evening meals
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# FOOD & DRINK

## À la carte: Six of the Best



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#### On the menu...

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#### How to book...

Eastwell Park, Boughton Lees, Ashford TN25 4HR  
phone: 01233 213000  
www.eastwellmanor.co.uk

## Variety is the spice of life, so here's hot

**W**HEN it comes to the choice of food available to diners, Kent plays second fiddle to no one.

Our fair county is not named the Garden of England for no reason.

The finest locally-grown produce, including awesome fruit and vegetables, can be found in this south-eastern corner of the country.

Our livestock, whether reared on the rich grasses of the North Downs or the far-reaching plains of Romney Marsh or the North Kent Marshes, is the envy of farmers across the world.

Chicken, goose, pheasant, woodpigeon, duck... all is available at our extraordinary eateries across the county.

Our enviable coastline supplies our many seaside

restaurants with more shellfish and varied catches than you can shake a stick at.

And our fruit farms offering apples, pears, cherries, strawberries and plums are just the icing on the cake for those tasty, sweet deserts.

Chefs' access to all of these fine ingredients is a large slice of proof that Kent can offer the best and most varied à la carte menus in the UK.

If variety be the spice of life, then Kent is seriously hot for food-lovers.

Having no limits to what is available to customers means that daily special dishes are commonplace here, allowing for expression of ideas from our liberated geniuses.

The choice allows Kent chefs to create the finest dishes for their menus, in turn allowing customers to savorate over the most glorious à la carte.

Here are six of the best...



### London Beach Tenterden

#### Why here...

The London Beach Country Hotel, Tenterden, boasts a charming and sophisticated restaurant with a fantastic menu and panoramic views across the weald of Kent. Easy to find on the A28.

#### On the menu...

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#### How to book...

The London Beach Country Hotel, Ashford Road, Tenterden TN30 6HX; phone 01580 766279  
enquiries@londonbeach.com



### The Olive Tree Ramada Dover

#### Why here...

The new à la carte Olive Tree restaurant is open seven days a week for breakfast, lunch and dinner. There is free car-parking on site and on Thursday and Friday evenings there are special 'live cooking' sessions. Our resident pianist is playing in the restaurant on Saturday evenings and Thursday, Friday and Sunday lunchtimes. The warm and friendly ambience makes the

Olive Tree restaurant the perfect place to dine.

#### On the menu...

The head chef's à la carte menu offers a variety of local and international dishes, including a daily special. A table d'hôte menu is also available, offering a choice for each course. Ask about the two-for-one offer on the table d'hôte menu.

#### How to book...

The Olive Tree, Ramada Hotel, Singledge Lane, Whitfield, Dover CT16 3EL  
phone: 01304 872845  
reservations@ramadadover.co.uk

### The White Hart Canterbury

#### Why here...

Close to Canterbury's centre, the pub boasts the city's largest garden, offering traditional pub-grub meals and snacks for lunch but with a more diverse à la carte menu for evening diners.

#### On the menu...

Dishes include roast rack of lamb with Dauphinoise potatoes, aubergine caviar and Chantenay carrots. Finish with a homemade dessert such as chocolate marquise with Baileys Chantilly cream.

#### How to book...

The White Hart, Worthgate Place, Canterbury CT1 2QX  
freephone: 0800 9978722  
whitehartpub@live.co.uk



### The Waterfront Dover Marina

#### Why here...

The Waterfront restaurant is open seven days a week for breakfast, lunch and dinner. With its warm, friendly ambience and seafront views, it makes an ideal venue for dining. A resident pianist plays in the restaurant on Thursday, Friday and Sunday Lunch times and Saturday evenings. For Sunday lunch there is an extensive Sunday carvery buffet and on Thursdays there is a special

pensioner's lunch menu.

#### On the menu...

The à la carte menu offers a variety of dishes selected by the international head chef, including a daily special table d'hôte menu, offering a choice for each course. Ask about the two-for-one offer on the table d'hôte menu.

#### How to book...

The Waterfront Restaurant Best Western Dover Marina Hotel and Spa, Waterloo Crescent, Dover CT17 9BP  
phone: 01304 203633  
email: reservations@dovermarinahotel.co.uk



### First and Last Herne Common

#### Why here...

Situated between Herne Bay and Canterbury, this friendly pub offers a fabulous choice of food, real ales, wines, spirits and a great craic! The function room offers a great Christmas party venue, but any visit at any time of year is special.

#### On the menu...

The A la Carte menu is available every evening, and changes weekly.

#### How to book...

The First and Last, Herne Common, Herne Bay CT6 7JU  
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www.thefirstandlastfreehouse.co.uk



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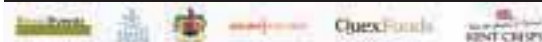
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## WALK

## Strood

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A circular walk along the edge of the River Medway, past historic landmarks and through pockets of attractive countryside, all close to the urban sprawl

**T**HIS walk takes you along the edge of the River Medway with stunning views down to Rochester, with its towering castle and cathedral.

Discover the historic Temple Manor and soak up the wonderful panoramic views offered from the hill-top pockets of countryside of Rede Common and Broomhill Park. A large proportion of this walk follows the Strood Community Trail – look out for the signposts with the Knights Templar logo.

Leaving Strood train station, follow the road towards the river. At the end of this, cross and turn right along Canal Road, following the River Medway on your left. Go under the bridge and, using the traffic lights, cross over the main road by Rochester Bridge. Go down the flight of steps and continue along the river path.

On the far side of the river you will see Rochester castle and cathedral. The castle has the highest keep in England at 35 metres and was built by Norman Bishop Gundulf in 1086; he also built the Tower of London.

Follow the path round to the right and then under the bridge alongside Jane's Creek.

Take a moment to look at the many birds, such as lapwings and redshanks, that rely on the mudflats for food. Kingfishers, cormorants and black-headed gulls are also often seen here.

At the end of the road, turn left along Knight Road. Cross over the roundabout and continue on Knight Road to your left, signposted Temple Manor.

This is part of a range of buildings assembled by the knights; it included a timber hall, barns, kitchens and stables. The stone building that has survived was added around 1240. The brick extensions date from the 17th century.

Continue past Temple Manor and after a short distance you will see a footpath on your right alongside Knights Park industrial estate. Follow this uphill, crossing the railway bridge until you reach the main road.

Cross the main road and turn right. Take the second road on your left (Hawthorn Road) and follow this for 500 metres until you reach a crossroads with Maple Road (there is a postbox on the corner).

Turn right down Maple Road and then left on to Darnley Road. Follow this uphill on the right until you get to Darnley Close on your right. Head down this road and up the short flight of steps at the end. Cross Carnation Road and head uphill into Hyacinth Road. Follow this around to the left and, shortly after passing two houses on your left, you will see a footpath through woodland.

Head up the steps into Rede Common and follow the winding path uphill over a few more steps until you come out of the woodland into an open area. Turn left across this, following the main path across the site.

Known locally as Sandy Banks due to the underlying geology of sandstone, the 25 acres of open grassland, scrub and trees found here at Rede Common is home to an array of wildlife. Look out for birds such as willow warbler, chiffchaff, whitethroat and blackcap, as well as many colourful plants. The views offered from this site towards Rochester are fantastic.



Once you have crossed the open area you will get to a junction of paths. Turn left, heading down the tree-lined path, and go down the steps at the bottom to bring you out on to Watling Street. Cross the road at the traffic lights and turn right to walk down the tree-lined street.

After about 500 metres you will see a footpath on your left opposite Elaine Avenue. Head up this path, which soon becomes a tarmac road. Follow it around to the right and out on to Dean Road. Turn left along Dean Road, which becomes Leybourne Road, and follow it to the junction with Abbey Road. Cross Abbey Road and walk up the pathway between houses and a grassed area to join the main road.

Turn left on to Gravesend Road and cross over the road at the traffic lights. Turn right and then take the first left up Broomhill Road. Proceed up this road and take the first turning on your left into Gorse Road. Take care here as there is no pavement. At the top of Gorse Road, take the second footpath to the left to take you into Broomhill Park.

Until the 1970s a prefab estate stood here. Trees and shrubs including chestnuts, gooseberries, blackberries, damsons, cobnuts, rosehips and haws which were originally part of someone's garden can be found all around the

site. Enjoy the 360-degree view of the Thames to the north and the Medway from the estuary at Sheerness past Gillingham, Chatham and Rochester to Blue Bell Hill in the west.

Take the path to the right, heading down a series of 70 steps on the edge of the park. Turn right on to the path at the bottom and then take the path to the left into a housing estate. Follow this to the end until you reach the junction with Clarendon Drive.

Turn right onto Clarendon Drive and follow it downhill, taking the left-hand fork on to Goddington Road after a short distance. You leave the Strood Community Trail here.

Cross over the main road and turn right and then immediately left in to Grove Road. Follow this to the end. Once you have crossed over the road at the bottom you will see an underpass taking you back to Strood train station straight ahead of you.

■ **Location:** Strood train station, ME2 4DR

■ **Distance:** 4.7 miles (7.5km); allow 2.5 hours

■ **OS Explorer Maps:** 148 and 163

■ **Terrain:** Mainly walking along pavements. Some footpaths through Rede Common, which can become muddy. Four flights of steps (with 17, 15, 10 and 73 steps).

**DISCOVERY:**

In between the houses and industry are peaceful pockets of riverside and open country, with a variety of wildlife to be enjoyed... above are goldfinch and meadow brown

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# KENT ATTRACTIONS

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## Symphony orchestra National pride

**Assembly Hall Theatre,  
Tunbridge Wells**  
Sunday, September 4  
01892 530613

THERE may be no better way to celebrate the year of the royal wedding than a night of classical music from the National Symphony Orchestra. One Night At The Proms will include performances by a number of gifted musicians. Special guests include Sally Johnson, known for her performances at the BBC Proms, Manchester Mid-Day Concerts and Bridgewater Hall. Tenor Sean Ruane, who has sung the England cricket team to victory for years, will also take to the stage. Together they will bring all the pomp and circumstance of a big British occasion to the theatre. The concert will include stirring favourites such as Rule Britannia, Nessun Dorma, Jerusalem and The Dambusters.



## An evening of love and song Open-air show

**Quex Park, Birchington**  
Sunday, September 4, at 7pm  
01843 842168  
[www.quexmuseum.org](http://www.quexmuseum.org)

AS the summer evenings start to draw in, love is most certainly in the air at the Powell-Cotton Museum, Quex Park, this month. An evening's entertainment "with words and music about love" will be staged in the open air and beautiful grounds of the Birchington manor house as operatic tenor James Hodgson and actress Lisa Payne bring the Let's Do It show to the lovely surroundings of Quex. Visitors are encouraged to bring along a picnic and enjoy the show, which will take place under the newly-built Victorian garden gazebo at the back of Quex House. Wine and soft drinks will be available to buy on the night and tickets now on sale both at the museum and online, priced at £5.

## Ale and hearty for festival Hops'n'Harvest

**Kent Life, Maidstone**  
Sat and Sun, September 10-11  
01622 763 936  
[www.kentlife.org.uk](http://www.kentlife.org.uk)

FARM theme park Kent Life hosts its 25th-anniversary Hops'n'Harvest festival this month with live music, real ales and cider taking centre stage. The festival has grown to be

a firm favourite as it pays homage to Kent Life's hops, which are picked on site and used in the brewing process resulting in Cobtree Old Ale. Some of Kent's best live rock acts will get the crowds buzzing; alternatively, visitors can choose to chill out by the acoustic lounge. Ale fans will have the chance to relive the sights, sounds and smells of the hopping industry and learn how Kent Life's very own hops, traditional Fuggles and Goldings, are harvested and brewed. During the course of the weekend, the venue will be

firing up the country's only working coal-fired oast house to demonstrate how the hops are dried for the following year's ingredients. The ambience and atmosphere promise to make a great send-off for all festival-goers this season. To make visiting the festival even easier, Kent Life has teamed up with the Arriva bus company to ensure everyone has a safe journey home by putting on a special return service (£2 return fare) which will operate between both Maidstone train stations and Kent Life through the weekend.



## Fabulous fruit Trust venue is the place to be

**Smallhythe Place, Tenterden**  
01580 762334  
Saturday, September 17  
[www.nationaltrust.org](http://www.nationaltrust.org)

THE National Trust's Smallhythe Place is inviting visitors to a fabulously fruity event later this month. The event celebrates the arrival of autumn and the explosion of colour and taste that the new season brings. Smallhythe Place will be celebrating by offering orchard and nuttury tours with an expert; fun games for families; and stalls with produce to buy, including cakes, chutneys, orchard fruit and a cider bar. Smallhythe Place was the long-time home of Victorian actress Ellen Terry. The house is a picture-postcard half-timbered house built in the early 16th century, when Smallhythe hosted a thriving shipbuilding yard. The National Trust now owns the property and its collection of theatre memorabilia. Laura Andrew, from Smallhythe Place, said: "With the growing popularity of grow-your-own, we are really keen to help people find out more about growing fruit and discovering how enjoyable having an orchard or growing just one fruit tree can be."



## One night of glam rock Queen tribute

**Woodville Halls, Gravesend**  
Friday, September 9, at 7.30pm  
[www.woodvillehalls.com](http://www.woodvillehalls.com)  
01474 337774

GET ready to go gaga as One Night Of Queen head to Kent. Stars In Their Eyes winner Gary Mullen re-creates the brilliance of Freddie Mercury as his Queen tribute band rock the Woodville Halls. Having received the largest amount of votes ever on the hit ITV show in 2000, Mullen

began touring the UK and in 2002 formed the band The Works to re-create and pay tribute to the rock legends who are Queen. Since then, the group have toured frequently, performing in the UK, US, Germany, France, The Netherlands, Denmark, South Africa and New Zealand to sell-out halls. The band have also rocked the prestigious BBC Proms in the Park in front of more than 40,000 people. One Night of Queen deliver the look, the sound and the showmanship and are arguably the most successful Queen tribute band in the world. Tickets cost £17.50 and £15.50 for concessions.



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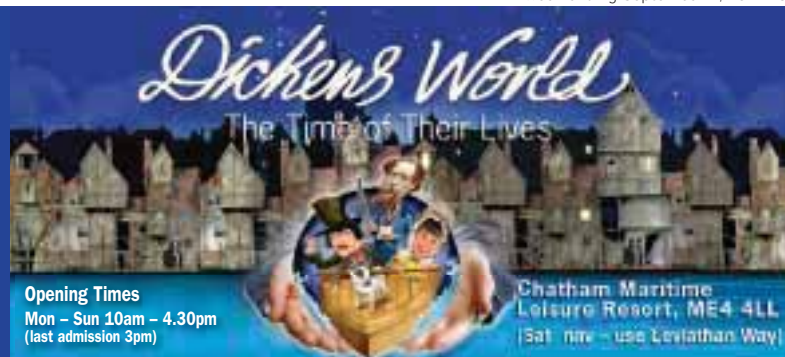


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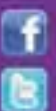
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## Old-stagers Victorian music hall

**Memorial Theatre,  
Hilderstone, Broadstairs**  
Saturday, September 10  
[sarahthorne-theatreclub.co.uk](http://sarahthorne-theatreclub.co.uk)

LADIES and gentlemen, please take your seats for an evening of elegance, erudition and traditional Victorian music hall, performed by the Marley Players. Formed in 1993, the company is a stalwart during Broadstairs's Dickens Festival. The players will perform monologues, cameo sketches, operetta, patriotic songs and a few cheeky chorus numbers and there will be vigorous encouragement of audience participation. The show will be performed on Saturday, September 10, at 7.45pm. Tickets are £8. They are bookable in advance from the box office on 0845 2626263. A 24-hour booking rule applies to non-members of the Sarah Thorne club. Email [info@sarahthorne-theatreclub.co.uk](mailto:info@sarahthorne-theatreclub.co.uk).



## Pick this event for nostalgia Hop specials

**Kent & East Sussex Railway,  
Tenterden**  
Sat and Sun, September 10-11  
01580 765155

VISITORS travelling from Tenterden to Bodiam station can enjoy a weekend of 'oppin' nostalgia as the Kent & East Sussex Railway hosts its annual Hop Pickers Weekend. Bodiam was an important

area for hop-picking and the weekend relives the days when Londoners came 'dahh 'oppin' for a summer break. Each summer the pickers arrived in specially-timetabled trains from London. This year the railway is celebrating 53 years' since the last Hop Pickers Special arrived at Bodiam. For hop-pickers from the East End, this was their annual holiday when they could enjoy time in the fresh country air. Over the weekend, former pickers relive memories, while visitors experience the hop-picking way of life first-hand in

the re-created hop garden and hoppers' hut where pickers would have stayed sometimes for as long as six weeks. Memorabilia will be on display at the station, together with period cars, tractors and steam-driven road vehicles. A vintage bus will run from Bodiam station to the castle and there will be live entertainment, food and drink available throughout. The event is open from 10.30am to 6pm each day. Tickets cost £13.50 for adults, £12.50 for senior citizens and £8.50 for children; a family ticket costs £37.



## Art workshop Inspiration of the forest

**Singleton Environment  
Centre,  
Ashford**  
Friday, September 23

THE British Trust for Conservation Volunteers is holding a workshop in woodland art. The event will be an opportunity for people to select an inspiring or favourite woodland saying or folk tale. Participants will create their own visual representation using woodland materials and their imaginations to produce the personalised symbols.

The workshop is suitable for all abilities and costs £20. It runs from 1pm-4pm. To book a place, phone Kent Adult Education on 0845 606 5606 or visit [www.kentadulteducation.co.uk](http://www.kentadulteducation.co.uk). The workshop is part of the Kent Heritage Trees Project, a five-year scheme that aims to involve hundreds of people in an education and activity programme focused on Kent's stock of old trees. The project will also record more than 10,000 heritage trees across the county. It celebrates and promotes the value of heritage trees, which include old trees, wide trees, rare trees and trees with cultural significance. For more details, visit [www.btcv.org/kentheritagetrees](http://www.btcv.org/kentheritagetrees) or phone Virginia Hodge on 01233 666519.

## Town will jig to festival Fun for folk

**Tenterden Folk Festival**  
September 29 to October 2  
[www.tenterdenfestival.org.uk](http://www.tenterdenfestival.org.uk)

TENTERDEN Folk Festival starts at the end of the month. The ancient Wealden town makes an ideal setting for this family-friendly event. The high street, one of the widest in the country, is lined with historic and listed buildings, numerous friendly pubs, restaurants and green verges. Events at the festival include an English barn dance, concerts, sing-a-rounds, music sessions, folk clubs, shows, a craft fair, street stalls, music fair, dance displays, a procession, showcases, meet-the-guest spots, workshops and events for children. More than 50 traditional dance teams from around the country and farther afield take to the streets of the town to entertain the crowds. Venues include The Evans Bar, Moulton Hall, the Tenterden Club, St Mildred's parish church and hall, the town hall and the recreation ground. There will also be concerts in the bars of The Woolpack, The White Lion, The Vine and William Caxton pubs. For details, visit [www.tenterdenfestival.org.uk](http://www.tenterdenfestival.org.uk).







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## Dick Barton rides again Comic capers

**Sarah Thorne Theatre Club**  
Sat and Sun, September 17-18  
0845 2626263  
sarahthorne-theatreclub.co.uk

THE Sarah Thorne Theatre Club in Broadstairs hosts a new show from local acting troupe Katapult Productions. Dick Barton – Special Agent is a spoof radio production of Episode One in writer Phil Willmott's acclaimed series of musical comedies. Dick Barton, hero of the BBC's 1940s radio serial, is back in an action-packed adventure. Join DB, Jock, Snowy and a host of old pals as he faces arch enemies Baron Scarheart and Marta Heartburn, aiming to rid the world of evil in the name of decency and patriotism. The hugely successful series is adapted by director John Drewry, previously of the Royal Shakespeare Company. Tickets cost £10.50 for members and £12.50 for non-members.



## First look at new paintings Acclaimed art

**Blake Gallery,  
Woodville Halls, Gravesend**  
Fri to Thu, September 16-22  
www.gravesham.gov.uk

A KENT artist whose works have been collected by international art-dealers is returning to his home town for a one-off exhibition of abstract paintings. Stuart Dalzell, the son of a Gravesend painter-and-decorator, started producing work 10 years ago and since then has sold to collectors around the world, including a sale to the world-famous Haskell Collection, which is valued in the millions and includes works by Jackson Pollock and Mark Rothko. The artist has had paintings sold through Christies auction house and has been featured in Time Out, Art Review and Modern Painters publications. This Gravesend exhibition will have works for sale at heavily-discounted prices for a week. Dalzell said: "I want to bring affordable art to my home town – I'm hoping local art-lovers and collectors will come to the exhibition. I'm really excited by my new paintings, especially as this is the first time they will be seen by anyone outside of my studio."

## The ShangHi showcase Cirque Du Ciel

**The Orchard, Dartford**  
Tue-Wed, September 6-7  
01322 220000  
www.orchardtheatre.co.uk

THE internationally-acclaimed production of stage show ShangHi is being brought to Dartford's Orchard Theatre by Cirque Du Ciel this month. Step into the imagination

of teenager Yan Yang, who, amid the traffic noise of the Shanghai night, starts to fantasise about her dreams of becoming a circus performer. A small train moves as if by magic across the stage, leading her into the realms of the Cirque. Shanghai is the world's busiest port, and that hustle and bustle is translated into a stunning show that combines modern dance, martial arts, original music and the finest acrobats in China. The show features daredevil skills such as the famous Monkey Poles and 'barrelling'.

This two-hour extravaganza, which typifies the vibrancy and excitement of modern China, also features an array of magical illusions and wonderful stunts, including boy-foot juggling, dynamic hoop-diving and amazing somersaults, leaps and jumps. Together with an evocatively-lit stage, ornately decorative props and multimedia images, this breathtaking spectacle is guaranteed to entertain the whole family. Tickets start at £18.50 and can be booked at the website [www.orchardtheatre.co.uk](http://www.orchardtheatre.co.uk).



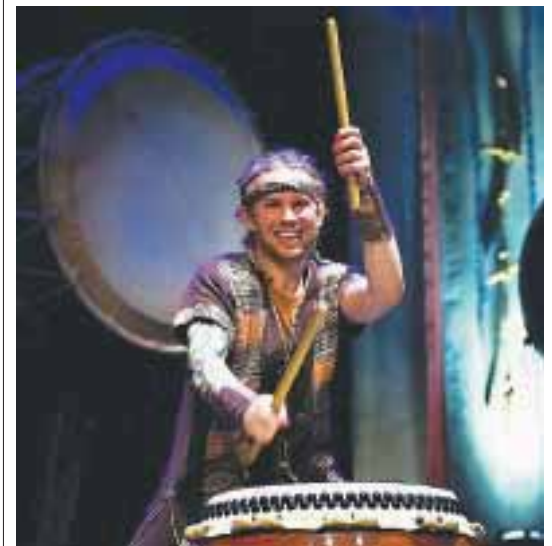
## Tuneful theatre Woman's fight for stardom

**Granville Theatre, Ramsgate**  
Tue to Sat, September 6-10  
01843 591750  
www.granvilletheatre.com

RUBIX Productions is presenting a new show to musical-theatre-lovers entitled Longing To Fall. This must-see play supports Kent's, and especially Ramsgate's, performers and artists, proving that you don't always have to go to London's West End for amazing musical theatre. The premise of the show is described as "a dark and captivating story with all-new music to learn and love. Sin City meets Sucker Punch meets We Will Rock You! Rock, pop, musical theatre, 80s, modern – and something new! It's got it all!"



Using the spotlight of modern-day media, the main character heads into the underworld of the music industry as she fights for her chance to shine. The tagline of the show is "An angel falls to Earth, an angel loved more by the God Of Rock than any other, but this angel is not alone. She descends into Hell whilst searching for her own personal heaven". Tickets cost £10, or £8 for concessions. Groups can buy 10 tickets and get one free.



## Stage variety The taiko drums of Mugenkyo

**Assembly Hall, Tunbridge Wells**  
Sunday, September 18  
01892 530613  
www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk

THE Mugenkyo Taiko Drummers are the UK's first and only professional touring taiko group. Through performing more than 100 concerts a year, the drummers have built a solid reputation for their hard-hitting and energetic style since their establishment in 1994. Mugenkyo present taiko in a modern and theatrical way,

with precise choreography, dramatic lighting and a variety of costumes ranging from the post-apocalyptic industrial to gorgeous earthy silks. The concert is varied and ranges from powerful drum rhythms, delicate shinobue bamboo flutes and expressive percussion to and dance. Through 15 years of touring, Mugenkyo have developed a unique approach while retaining the traditional spirit of taiko and creating a contemporary sound. The drummers have appeared on numerous TV and radio programmes worldwide, including the Brit Awards, BBC's Last Night Of The Proms, The Generation Game and even a Bollywood film. A Glastonbury appearance has added to the mystique.

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# Traditional Kentish buildings offer picturesque place to live

**T**WO examples of traditional Kentish buildings which make for picturesque homes have recently come on to the market in the Faversham area

Tinbridge Oast is a five-bedroom end-of-terrace forming part of a kiln oast house and barn conversion, situated on the fringes of Boughton-under-Blean.

The property offers versatile accommodation arranged over four floors and has views across the Kentish countryside, orchards and pasture land and can be found just off the A2 in Faversham.

Tinbridge Oast is one of four square kiln oasts built in 1898 and was converted into a dwelling in 1983-1984.

The property has communal, attractive and mature rear gardens but also its own south-facing garden patio, private to the main garden.

Accommodation includes five bedrooms with bedroom five having the original hop flue and vaulted ceiling in keeping with the character of an oast.

The lounge/dining room and kitchen offer views across the rear garden.

Another of the most popular country-style homes to come on to the market is the thatched cottage.



**HOME FROM HOME:** This pretty semi-detached thatch cottage comes with some beautiful features

While they may provide some difficulty when it comes to maintenance, the thatched roofs are part of the traditional landscape of the English countryside.

Just on to the market is one such property, a period semi-detached thatched cottage in the village of Ospringe.

Features include inglenook fireplaces and Bressemer beam-over and exposed beams to the



ceilings. There is a country-style kitchen, dining room, sitting room and two bedrooms upstairs, the master bedroom with a vaulted ceiling with an en-suite shower room.

There is a rear garden with a garden room or summer house with utility space, as well as a pergola over the patio.

■ **Estate agency Your Move represents both properties.**

## Experts warning property market faces tough time

HOUSE prices are set to go up in the coming years – but that is not necessarily good news for the market, according to the latest forecast.

Experts are warning that the housing market could face difficulties as house prices soar but ownership numbers decrease.

Ownership in England will fall to 63 per cent in the next decade from a 2001 peak of 72.5 per cent, according to the National Housing Federation, representing housing associations.

The organisation blames an under-supply of homes, big deposits and stricter lending rules, and its survey expects a 20 per cent rise in house prices, to £260,304, and private rents, to £582 a month, by 2016.

About 4.5 million people are on waiting lists for social housing and only those in desperate need have a chance of being allocated a house, according to the findings.

Federation chief executive David Orr has demanded more Government investment to build affordable housing.

He said: "Home ownership is increasingly becoming the preserve of the wealthy and, in parts of the country like London, the very wealthy."

Other analysts say it is up to banks to make mortgages more easily available, especially for first-time buyers.

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# Valley Park bucks trend as sales soar

A stunning development of New England-style homes on the outskirts of Rye appears to be bucking national trends.

Frequent stories in the national press of a lacklustre housing market seem not have to reached the historic south coast town as sales of new homes at Valley Park have recently soared. Over 60 of the 135 available properties have already been sold and the developer AronCorp reports growing interest in spite of the slowdown reported elsewhere.

They also revealed that the second phase of the development, which is billed as much more than a place to live and consisting of stylish two, three and four bedroom new properties will be launched next month. Building work on the third phase has already begun and these will be available early next year.

So what are the reasons for this phenomenon? Stuart Bentley, manager of Reeds Rains' Rye branch, the estate agency marketing the properties for AronCorp, said: "The secret of this success is simple.

"All Valley Park homes are built to an extremely high specification and the development has provided one of the first opportunities to buy such character homes built to the latest eco standards in Rye for many years. They are also very competitively priced and as such offer great value for money. Buyers are also most impressed by the architectural style of the houses and the way they nestle in with the surrounding environment."

This is not surprising because Valley Park is set in a breathtaking location overlooking the High Weald, an area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. And yet it is just half a mile from Rye station with its links to London St Pancras in around an hour and major East Sussex coastal towns.

Once surrounded by sea, Rye played an important role in the defence of the south coast of England. These days, the river no longer harbours warships and is home to the local fishing fleet whose catches include Rye Bay scallops and Dover sole.

Meandering for over one and a half miles from the town to the coast, the river forms part of the picturesque scenery visible from several vantage points in and around the citadel of Rye. These ancient buildings, cobbled streets and secret passages, once the haunt of smugglers and highwaymen, regularly attract film crews in search of historical settings for period productions.

The sheer concentration of living history packed into this vibrant market town makes Rye a wonderful place to live. There are many pubs and restaurants in and around the town and the outlying villages all offering an alternative slice of country night-life way from the hustle and bustle.

The marshes are now one of the largest bird sanctuaries in Europe and there is so much to do in Rye with the miles of unspoilt dunes and sandy beach at Camber Sands nearby.

For more details on Valley Park call the sales office on 01797 222547 or visit [www.valleyparkrye.co.uk](http://www.valleyparkrye.co.uk)



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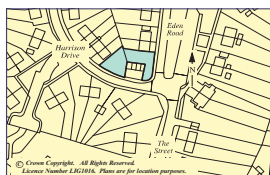
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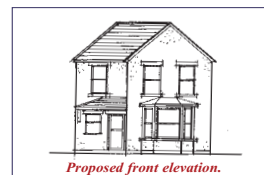
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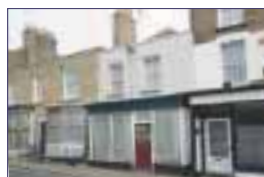
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# Peugeot 508's class war

By Sam Davison

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REGIME change has been all the rage lately and Peugeot wants to upset the established company-car rulers with its classy new 508.

The sleek newcomer has style, quality and equipment enough to challenge the German Audi A4, BMW 3-Series and Mercedes-Benz C-Class premium trio, and from a modest £18,150.

Realistically, though, its most obvious rivals are the VW Passat and the Honda Accord.

And proof of the 508's market clout will be in second-hand values at the end of an obligatory three years' hard labour as a company hack – a test that its 407 predecessor failed.

Though its gaping mouth grille pioneered the lion brand's corporate look of the Noughties, the 407's styling dated fast, the cabin lacked premium feel and the driving experience was so-so. A Peugeot's bosses' review probably noted that the marque must do better than rely on the appeal of its excellent diesel engines.

Its well-trimmed successor, though, should still be good enough to command the money at the end of company service providing there is enough desire from second-hand buyers who, let's be honest, like German kit enough to keep used values high and, as a consequence, company-car lease deals relatively low.

Game-changing ploys from the 508 include styling that oozes class in both saloon and SW (estate) guise. The latter's downswept rear side windows disguise roof height over a capacious rear cargo bay to create a sporty look tipped to secure as much as half of all 508 demand – underlining the surge in estate sales across the 'family car' sector and why we chose to review this version.

Its lines are drawn from the eye-catching SR1 coupé concept; Peugeot insists it will never be built, but it has set the pattern for a new generation.

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**UP FOR THE CHALLENGE:** Peugeot's new 508 oozes class in both saloon and SW (estate) guises and will challenge the established company car rulers from German such as Mercedes and BMW

If the 508's styling is a fresh departure, the cabin celebrates a journey started with the current 308 and showing the gap between the outgoing 407 and the 508.

The ergonomics, fit and finish and quality of the plastics and materials are striking, and the full-length panoramic roof on the SW enhances the experience – if the sun is too bright, though, there is a slick electrically-operated blind.

Drivers will also like the windscreen Head Up Display giving speed, cruise-control setting and, depending on model, sat-nav directions dead ahead of you.

But the 508's ace is the driving experience, which allows this French champion to take on the Germans: Peugeot has married the usual smooth ride with superior acoustic damping and far better dynamics across the range, with keen drivers able to opt for a GT with modified front axle delivering more rigidity and 'point and shoot' capability for a relatively big car.

Most buyers will want the diesels: a 112bhp 1.6-litre, 140 and 163bhp 2.0-litre and 204bhp 2.2-litre. The test car was the 163 with a tidy six-speed manual box and you can't really go wrong here; it's smooth across the board, lively (0-62mph in under 9.6 seconds) yet you should be able to eke an average mpg well into the 50s.

The baby engine is available as an ultra-green e-HDi model with stop/start to save emissions and consumption in busy traffic, but the clutchless manual/auto EGC gearbox can feel awkward.

However, company-car 'user choosers' will want its tax-beating virtues and Peugeot is confident this will be the best seller and in mid-range SR trim.

There are petrol alternatives: a 120bhp 1.6-litre with that EGC gearbox and a turbocharged 156bhp 1.6, with the latter chasing the 508's 20 per cent of private new-car buyers.

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Lexus already offers a hybrid LS flagship, so the stage is set for an epic battle between these two eco titans.



## Upgrades for premium Exeo

SEAT has revised its executive-class Exeo saloon and ST estate range (from £19,285).

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**VALUE FOR MONEY:**  
The all-new Toyota Yaris is expected to retain around 39-42 per cent of its original value after three years

# Yaris to hold on to its price

HARD nosed experts at the motor trade valuation guide CAP have already given the thumbs-up to the all-new Toyota Yaris supermini. They say this Yaris (from £11,170) can expect valuations around the best-in-class mark, being worth 39-42 per cent of its original value after three years or 30,000 miles – an improvement of between five and seven per cent on the previous generation car.

The prospect is even stronger for models fitted with the new Toyota Touch and Go satellite navigation and connected information and communications package, which is being offered free as a launch incentive on Yaris TR, SR and T

Spirit models for the first six months of sales. The TR grade – core model in the new Yaris range – comes with a lavish spec anyway: Toyota Touch touchscreen controls, 15-inch alloys, Bluetooth, USB port, rear-view camera – a first in this car sector as standard equipment – air con and leather trim.

In particular, the five-door 1.33-litre VVT-i TR version is tipped to be the best-selling Yaris model (£13,260) and gets a 40 per cent residuals rating from the CAP gurus – 42 per cent when fitted with Touch and Go.

All new Yaris models are also backed by Toyota's five-year/100,000-mile warranty.



# Honda to give new Civic a swirl

SEEN here in heavy disguise, Honda is about to show its all-new Civic in all its glory.

The Japanese marque, which has a major production base at Swindon, says the new-comer will be even quieter and more refined than the current car, which has stood the test of time well.

But Honda said it set out to sharpen every detail of the 2012 replacement's design, build and aerodynamics and the Swindon plant has worked particularly hard on fine tuning the cabin insulation.

Honda's F1 race team experience has helped with the aerodynamics; it is hard to tell with the dazzle finish pictured here, but the new car seems likely to be less controversial looking than the current 'starship' design Civic, but will be even more slippery through the air.

It is also likely that the equally futuristic interior of the current car has been toned down in style and tweaked up on the premium front, as Honda continues to pitch itself more upmarket than the mainstream arena where 'upstart' Korean marques Hyundai and Kia are starting to threaten.

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2008(08)	DAIHATSU SIRION SE 5DR HATCH AUTO, BLUE, 13000 miles, .....£6,995
2008(08)	DAIHATSU SIRION SE 5DR HATCH AUTO, BLUE, 8000 miles, .....£6,995
2007(57)	DAIHATSU SIRION SE 5DR HATCH AUTO, ALUMINIUM SILVER, 9000 miles, .....£6,495
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2008(58)	VAUXHALL CORSA SXI AC 16V 5DR HATCH AUTO, ALUMINIUM SILVER, 4000 miles, .....£7,995
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2008(08)	VAUXHALL CORSA SXI AC 16V 3DR HATCH AUTO, BLACK, 17000 miles, .....£6,995
2008(08)	VAUXHALL CORSA CLUB AC 16V 5DR HATCH AUTO, GOLD, 9000 miles, .....£6,995
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RUGBY

# Kent trio in National League power battle

By Steve Tervet

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A NEW era of Kent rugby kicks off this weekend with three of the county's biggest clubs preparing for an intriguing tussle in the fifth tier of the national game.

Last season, Gravesend were Kent's sole representatives in National 3 London & South East, but they will now scrap for bragging rights against local rivals Canterbury and Tonbridge Juddians.

A last-day defeat to Westcombe Park sent Canterbury tumbling through the National 2 South relegation trap-door and head coach Danny Vaughan was sacked shortly afterwards. While they will be keen to bounce back at the first attempt, their neighbours will not make life easy.

Gravesend recovered from a slow start last term and finished the season in fine form on their way to sixth place. They signed off the campaign by beating TJs in the final of the Kent Cup and will be keen to rubber-stamp their dominance when the pair meet

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as equals this time around.

Gravesend skipper Jamie Forsyth said: "It's good because two sides from the Norwich area have dropped away and we've suddenly got local derbies against two sides from Kent.

"There won't be any surprises for us. Our players know the TJs guys and those from Canterbury through playing for Kent, so that will add a little bit of spice. Personally, that will be the highlight of the season for me and I know it will be for a lot of our guys.

"Canterbury have been ahead of us for a few years but now I think we've



caught up and the balance is shifting more towards Gravesend and TJs."

Among several summer recruits for the Gs are back-row forward Reuben Potaka and fly-half Sam Hall, who have both arrived in north Kent from New Zealand. There has also been plenty of activity at The Slade, where TJs have added even more quality to the squad which convincingly won London 1 South last season.

Bidding to lead his side to a fourth straight promotion, TJs skipper Will Thorpe is excited by the prospect of forming new county rivalries.



**TUSSLE:** Gravesend (far left) have been joined by Canterbury (left) and newly-promoted Tonbridge Juddians (above) in National 3 for this season

"It feels a bit strange to think our local derby is now Canterbury and not Tunbridge Wells," he said. "Gravesend took a couple of fairly heavy defeats early on but they regrouped and finished in the top-six.

"Obviously Canterbury have been relegated, I've been relegated from leagues before and they'll want to put the record straight.

"They'll have worked extremely hard over the off-season and they'll want to put in a good account of themselves. The game at our place on September 10 should be very entertaining."

All three clubs will expect to at least feature in the top-half of the division and promotion would not ap-

pear to be beyond any of them, given the quality of players at their disposal.

Despite the disappointment of relegation, Canterbury's new captain, Mike Melford, says this pre-season has been the best since he joined the club seven years ago.

"We're aiming for a top-two finish and it's good for us to have a realistic target this year," he said. "We're not being complacent, we know we don't have a right to go back up so we've got to earn it and prove ourselves.

"Having come down, I'm sure sides will want to beat us. TJs will be strong but we don't feel intimidated by them. We know what they're about and I think they will be concerned thinking about us."

ICE HOCKEY

## Dynamos put goalie hunt on ice as season begins

THE ice hockey season starts this weekend with question marks hanging over Invicta Dynamos following a 'cursed' search for a netminder during the summer.

The Mos will go into the double header against Bracknell Hornets with only Andy Moffat in their roster after a series of setbacks over the last few weeks.

Andrew Dickson had signed on for another season, but left to join Belfast Giants in July. The Gillingham-based side lined up Ben Hunt last week, only for him to quickly pull out two days later for personal reasons, while former netminder Joe White is still unable to make every game due to work commitments.

There was little prospect of making a last minute signing and Mos head coach Kevin Parrish admitted for the short-term they would have to make do by dipping into the club's second string, Invicta Mustangs.

He said: "Every time it looks

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**CONCERN:** Kevin Parrish (left) has limited back-up for Andy Moffat

good something goes wrong, it's a curse at the moment. I don't know what we can do, the only plus is if Joe White can commit to a couple of games here and there, use a goalie from the Mustangs to fill in for the others and hope Andy has the season of his life."

Away from the problems in goal, Parrish is pleased with the rest of the squad. He is optimistic for a good season, but

Picture: DAVID TREVALLIION



stopped short of tipping the Mos for the National League Division One South title.

He said: "I'm looking for a top four finish and anything above that will be a bonus. There are some strong teams in the league this season and we're definitely not the favourites, which might suit us."

The Mos visit Bracknell on Saturday ahead of the return on Sunday, face-off is 5.15pm.

ATHLETICS

## Heartache for Dobriskey and Green at Worlds

THERE was disappointment for Lisa Dobriskey and Jack Green at the World Athletics Championships this week as both failed to live up to their expectations.

Less than a year until the London Olympics, Dobriskey's performance was the most concerning. The 27-year-old from Ashford went into the championships in Daegu, South Korea, in encouraging form and with hopes of winning a medal in the 1500 metres, but instead she was surprisingly eliminated in the first round, coming 11th out of 12 in her heat.

Dobriskey admitted afterwards to attacking too early on the final lap and felt a back injury earlier in the summer was hampering her more than expected.

"With 300m to go I panicked a bit and pushed too hard and that was it," she told the BBC. "I don't know what happened. I thought I was coping well with it [the injury] but obviously not. I'm very disappointed."

Jack Green's first taste of a



**OUT:** Lisa Dobriskey was eliminated but Montell Douglas has hope

senior major championships also did not go to plan. The rising star, 19, was confident of reaching the 400m hurdles final after an impressive season and safely came through the heats, but came fifth in his semi-final.

Reacting on Twitter, the Maidstone athlete said: "Completely heartbroken. I didn't come here to be sat in the stand. Tremendous support,



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ever so grateful. I'll be back."

Green had a chance to make up for it in the 4x400m relay, which took place on Friday after this newspaper went to press.

Blackheath & Bromley's Montell Douglas will be hoping to be selected in Britain's 4x100m relay. Both the heats and final take place on Sunday, the final day of the championships.



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## PARALYMPICS

# Expectation building in county a year ahead of Paralympic Games

By David Pritchard

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THE opening ceremony to the London Paralympics is less than a year away and excitement is building among the county's eligible athletes.

Tickets for the Games, which only trail the Olympics and football World Cup in terms of scale in global sport, go on sale next Friday.

While the demand is not expected to reach the heights seen in the scramble for Olympic events, a Paralympics on home soil is likely to attract more attention than ever before.

One athlete who has some idea of what to expect is Nathan Milgate. The rifle shooter from Canterbury competed at the Beijing Olympics four years ago.

He is bidding to take Great Britain's spot and will know by the end of the year if he has qualified.

After his experiences in China, the 24-year-old is desperate for another taste of the unique atmosphere.

He said: "It's a once in a lifetime experience to go to your first Games, a new experience to have 4,500 people there all striving for the same thing in a mini village.

"For 2012, there will be a lot more pressure, positive pressure, because I'll have a lot of support from my friends and family. It gives you a great experience, knowing what to expect, because you can't know



## HOPEFULS:

Nathan Milgate (above) and Kelsie Gibson are bidding to compete at next year's Paralympics

what to expect the first time.

"In Beijing, I was in the finals of my strongest event, the R1 standing rifle, and I'd never experienced 4,000 spectators cheering. In London, the majority will be from my own country, cheering for me, like the Chinese were cheering for their own. It was a fantastic experience, to give me that edge for next year."

Among the rookies attempting to make the team in 12 months' time is adaptive rower



Kelsie Gibson.

The 18-year-old from Maidstone believes the Games are a big chance to transform the perception of Paralympians.

She said: "With it being in London there is a lot more publicity about the Paralympics and disability athletes. I think it will be a really positive thing and will make a massive difference, not just to Paralympic sport but disabled people in general.

"It would be brilliant to be a part of, who wouldn't dream of competing for their country at the biggest sporting event? It's mind-blowing when you think about it."

As well as providing athletes, the county will also play a wider role during the Games. Paralympic teams from Barbados,

Nepal and Papua New Guinea have signed agreements to use training facilities in Kent in the build-up, while Brands Hatch will host the 32 Paralympic road cycling events across four days of competition.

Chris Hespe, head of sport, leisure and Olympics at Kent County Council, said: "What's particularly exciting is the road cycling events are right at the end of the Paralympics. With so many medals on offer, it could have a significant impact on the medals table, so the eyes of the world will be on Kent."

Elsewhere, another team have agreed to hold a training camp in Kent next summer, with Nepal's Olympic team following the example of their Paralympic squad by choosing to use facilities in Canterbury.

## MOTORSPORT



POPULAR: DTM has a big following in Britain

## Brands hosts German touring car series

ONE of the biggest crowds of the season is expected at Brands Hatch this weekend for the German touring car championship (DTM)'s annual visit to Britain.

The series' last two visits to Brands were won by Scotland's Paul Di Resta and there is every chance of another British winner in Sunday's race, with Bromley's Gary Paffett looking to put a disappointing season behind him with victory at his home circuit.

The 2005 champion comes into the weekend ninth in the standings. Jamie Green is the leading British driver, sitting fourth.

The battle for the title looks set to be a two horse race, with Bruno Spengler and Martin Tomczyk clear with two wins apiece.

The field also includes ex-Formula One drivers David Coulthard and Ralf Schumacher.

## HOCKEY

## European medals for trio on England duty

THE county's top hockey players featured prominently as England's men and women returned from the EuroHockey Nations Championship last weekend with bronze medals.

Ashley Jackson returned after nine months out through injury and the former Tunbridge Wells player, 24, immediately rediscovered his form in Monchengladbach, Germany, scoring five goals in the pool games.

England lost their semi-final 3-0 to the hosts, but a 2-1 victory on a golden goal against Belgium ensured the squad finished on the podium.

The women also finished third, beating Spain 2-1 in the play-off. Canterbury ladies' Natalie Seymour played in every game, while club-mate Susannah Townsend made her debut at a major senior tournament.

## GOLF

## Redemption for Stupples on return to Solheim Cup team

HURT turned to ecstasy for Karen Stupples this week as she was selected for Europe's Solheim Cup team two years on from being surprisingly left out of the squad.

The golfer from Deal was one of captain Alison Nicholas' four picks for the biennial tournament against the United States, which will be held at Killeen Castle in Ireland later this month.

It was the polar opposite from the 2009 team announcement, when Stupples was unexpectedly overlooked. The pain of missing out prompted a rethink for Stupples, who told this newspaper last year the Solheim Cup, women's golf's equivalent to the Ryder Cup, was not a priority.

The 38-year-old, who now lives

in Florida, was delighted to be selected earlier this week but said her stance had not changed.

"Everybody said they thought I was going to get picked but having the experience of two years ago I was aware you never really know," she said.

"I stuck to my plans of wanting to play well for me and my family. If I was good enough to get picked for the Solheim Cup that would be terrific and obviously nothing was going to make me happier, which is what's happened.

"The fact I wasn't focusing on it too much probably helped."

The 2004 Women's British Open champion has experienced the tournament before, playing at Crooked Stick, Indiana in 2005.



Picture: ADY KERRY

SELECTED: Karen Stupples was named in Europe's 12-strong team

She said: "The atmosphere is just amazing, the fans are tremendous and it's more like a football match."

"Helping Europe to win would rank right up there with winning

major, it would be an amazing accomplishment.

"Obviously the US team will be favourites but we all feel in the European team we're going to win."

## MOTORSPORT

## Rallying legend wows large Lydden crowd

A BANK Holiday crowd of 8,000 watched Marcus Gronholm win the fifth round of the British Rallycross Championship (BRC) at Lydden Hill.

The Finn, a former world rally champion, took pole for Monday's 'A' final at the circuit near Dover after winning the day's third heat. Sittingbourne's Liam Doran, racing at his home track, had to settle for a place on the second row.

Gronholm held off Kevin Procter to win on his BRC debut, while third-placed David Binks completed the podium line-up.

Julian Godfrey leads Binks by seven points in the supercars class, while Doran resumes his European Rallycross Championship campaign in Austria this weekend.

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## CRICKET

**CHAMPION:** Hartley Country Club's Sam Billings

## Hartley aura grows again after title win

HARTLEY Country Club are aiming to emulate the long-term dominance of Kent League rivals Bromley after clinching the Premier Division championship last weekend.

A title race which appeared wide open at the start of the season swung towards Hartley as the finishing line drew closer and a run of five wins in the latter stages of the campaign gave them an almost unassailable advantage.

Last weekend's trip to Bromley, champions in the last two seasons, was abandoned because of rain but the washout did little to dampen the spirits of Hartley captain Andrew Tutt.

"We've played some unbelievable cricket," he said. "I've heard there was no stand-out side in the Premier League this year but now the season's over, I would disagree because we have been the stand-out side."

"We wanted to emulate how Bromley play. When teams play against them, they're slightly on the back foot because they know how to win and they've been unbelievably successful. We wanted to create that mentality about us, so anybody who plays us knows they're going to be in a game."

Hartley lost previous skipper Min Patel to Bexley in the close season and injury meant key bowler Darrell Carter missed almost the entire campaign. They lost the first game of the season to Lordswood but went into this weekend unbeaten in their subsequent 16 outings. Dan Stickels, who joined from St Lawrence & Highland Court, hit 539 runs while Kent's Sam Billings weighed in with 487, averaging 69.57.

Meanwhile, Sibton Park and The Mote have dropped out of the Premier Division with Beckenham and Canterbury set to replace them after securing promotion from Division One.

Gore Court have been relegated for a second season running after dropping into Division Two alongside Ashford Town. Hythe and Orpington are heading in the opposite direction.

Elsewhere, Linden Park have finally broken out of Division Three after three seasons of narrowly missing out. The Tunbridge Wells club will make the step up alongside Bromley Common, although the destination of the league title remained uncertain heading into this weekend.

In both Division Three and Division Four, the relegation battle went down to the final game of the season, while the promotion race at the top-end of Division Four was equally hard to call.

Cowdrey wrapped up a second promotion in as many seasons as they edged past Blackheath 3rds in Division Five, while Walmer and Wickham Park drop down into the Kent Regional League.

## CRICKET

## Clifford tells Kent faithful to hold on as financial picture improves

**By Glenn Pearson**

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KENT chief executive Jamie Clifford says the club is moving towards a more stable footing but that members and supporters need to "hang in there" as the county look to build a more sustainable long-term future.

Integral to that is the all-round use of the club's new facilities as part of the £8.2 million redevelopment of the St Lawrence Ground in Canterbury, which also includes the building of a hotel. Discussions with developers have been ongoing and progress is expected this winter.

Clifford, coming to the end of his second season as chief executive, believes the county have made positive strides in the past 12 months but is aware more hard work is needed to turn around a business that has recorded operating losses of almost £1.4 million over the last two years.

"I have a very clear plan of where we are trying to get to," he said. "We have a business that at worst breaks even, and it would be great if it makes a bit of money, but it's important that it breaks even in a way that we can invest in what goes on over the white line."

"The other bit is the year round business and we are now turning our focus to ensure the new facilities are used as much as they can be throughout the year and if we do all those things then that should lead us to a very good place. Our operating levels have increased and improved over the last 12 months and the financial side of it is showing some signs of that."

"I'm all about this whole club approach to things and if we can get the off the field stuff right it will lead to benefits on the pitch and we've just got to hang in there and understand where we

**ENCOURAGING:** The redeveloped St Lawrence Ground is expected to generate more income

are trying to get to."

That may be the same message being conveyed to several of Kent's out of contract players, particularly Sam Northeast and Joe Denly, who both turned down offers last winter. Clifford is keen for the futures of eight out of contract at the end of the season not to be played out in public, as perhaps they might have done in the past.

It's left the club open to speculation about key

players, but Clifford feels it's the right approach.

He said: "Just because we aren't saying anything doesn't mean we aren't working hard to make sure we have the right squad for next year. There is a lot of speculation, some of it ridiculous, and I know we're not helping by playing things with a straight bat, but I think it's best for the players already here and those we may want to attract to the county."

## CRICKET

## Revitalised Mahmood keen to tie up new deal

KENT'S veteran all-rounder, Azhar Mahmood, hopes to have earned himself a two-year contract after a series of eye-catching performances this season.

A return to form with the bat, which coincided with the club moving him up to number three in their limited overs cricket line-up, has put the former Pakistan international in the running for Kent's player of the year.

The 36-year-old is out of contract at the end of the summer and while revealing that he expects to be staying with the club next year, he is hopeful his displays may have given him bargaining power on the length of a new deal.

When asked if he would be staying at the club, he told this newspaper: "Yes, fingers crossed. I have not signed it yet but there is a mutual understanding between me, Jamie [Clifford, chief executive] and Farby [Paul Farbrace, director of cricket]. Hopefully it's two years, but let's see."

After an explosive first season with the county in 2007, Mahmood's form as a batsman appeared on the wane, instead becoming an increasingly important member of Kent's all too threadbare seam attack. However, a decision to move the former Surrey man up the order in one-day and

Twenty20 cricket early this season proved inspired, and Mahmood has repaid the club's faith with several match-winning innings.

"Last year I was in good form but going in at six or seven when it's just the bowlers left to bat with makes it a bit of a tough one," he explained. "When I played championship cricket last year I batted with the tail and I've done it this year as well. You are batting with the tail and the opposition take the second new ball and before you know it you are losing wickets."

"Batting at number three means I have got more time to bat and I think that's why I am doing well this season."

Mahmood, who made his first-class debut 18 years ago, says he has seen enough from Kent's young players to feel confident about the club's long-term future.

"We have a good side with a lot of good young players coming through," he said. "If we got more players in our squad that would really help for next season because it's tough when you only have 14 or 15 players and then someone gets injured and you have no choice. Hopefully with the younger players coming through the signs are good for the club."

**IN-FORM:** Azhar Mahmood is confident of staying with Kent beyond this season



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## FOOTBALL

# Cody deal nets cash bonus for happy Dartford

By David Pritchard

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TRANSFER deadline day yielded a useful windfall for Dartford after former striker Cody McDonald was among the players to make a last minute move.

The 25-year-old, who netted 25 goals on loan at Gillingham last season, moved from Norwich City to Championship side Coventry City on Wednesday.

The Canaries bought McDonald from Dartford on deadline day in January 2009. As part of the agreement a clause was included which ensured the Princes Park club would receive a cut of any transfer fee if Norwich sold him.

Darts chairman Dave Skinner confirmed the club stood to gain by 20 per cent of the fee, minus the original fee Norwich paid, although it will take time before the figure is known.

He said: "We had a sell-on clause in Cody's contract, but as the transfer to Coventry was undisclosed I have no idea how much it will be. We're waiting for Norwich to contact us.

"It's always useful when something like this happens. We're all really pleased with how Cody has done and hope he does well at Coventry."

If reports the transfer cost Coventry £400,000 are correct, it would mean Dartford are due to receive up to £80,000.

The transfer ended any hope Gillingham may have had in bringing McDonald back to Priestfield on loan. The Gills are in the market for a striker, but despite their efforts deadline day passed without a new face arriving.

Gills boss Andy Hessenthaler will renew the hunt next week when the loan window opens. The preferred route is now a 'try before you buy' approach, which worked in the past when Andy Barcham's temporary deal from Tottenham Hotspur was converted into a purchase.

Hessenthaler said: "We'd like to identify a player that we could bring in on a loan but with a view to a permanent move.

"What that does is it gives us a chance to look at a player we like, if they're not in the club they are coming from's plans and they do well for us then all of a sudden we



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**MOVE:** Cody McDonald's transfer to Coventry will see former club Dartford claim a welcome cash injection, but ensured the striker will not return to Gillingham on loan for a second successive season

can make it into a permanent deal.

"A lot of clubs do that and there's no harm in that. The player could come and be what we need. There are players out there, it's just getting the right one."

The change of tack comes after Gillingham investigated the pool of free agents who have not found a club so far this summer. Despite operating from a strong bargaining position, Hessenthaler was surprised by the players' demands.

He said: "We spoke to a few but they are perhaps not being realistic on the wages, which is a bit crazy because they're looking for a club. Some players take a risk and wait to see what develops, we just couldn't come to an agreement."

## FOOTBALL

## Gillingham defender wants to get Hessenthaler's attention by proving his worth on loan at Plymouth

SIMON King is hoping a loan move from Gillingham to Plymouth Argyle will provide an opportunity to resurrect his career.

The 28-year-old has played just four games in two seasons due to a serious ankle injury. Despite returning to fitness in pre-season he has fallen down the pecking order at Priestfield and requested a loan move last month after making the squad just once in the first six games of the season.

Cash-strapped Plymouth made an approach and a one month deal was agreed on Wednesday, with the centre-back in line to make his debut for the Pilgrims at Burton Albion yesterday.

King, whose contract at Gillingham expires at the end of the season, wants to use the spell to prove he is still capable of playing regularly.

He said: "I respect the gaffer, he's made his decision and the guys have

performed well. I have to accept that. I'm not a bad egg, all I can do is get match fit.

"This could be my last season so I want to go out fighting and trying to do as much as I can. I'm playing for my future and this gets me back on the map and gets people to realise I am fit again.

"Hopefully the gaffer will take notice, it can change quickly but if needs be maybe I end up staying at Plymouth for another month."

**MOVE:** Simon King

## FOOTBALL

## Ever-present Fuller sad to lose captain's armband but feels benefit of playing with less responsibility

DESPITE admitting losing the Gillingham captaincy was disappointing, Barry Fuller believes it has enabled him to play with less pressure this season.

The full-back was replaced by new signing Andy Frampton in pre-season, with Gills boss Andy Hessenthaler feeling the role had begun to affect Fuller's performances.

While disagreeing with the analysis, the Ashford defender has no

intention of rocking the boat.

He said: "We had a chat about it, [Hessenthaler] went the way he went and obviously I was disappointed to lose the armband. I dealt with it, I'm a 26-year-old and have played a lot of games. I said to the gaffer I wasn't going to mope around or put any pressure on him.

"Maybe I have got that weight off my shoulders. If you're captain and it's not going right you're the target

and that brings pressure."

Fuller, who has started every game this season, also backed his successor, who has made an instant impact in the changing room.

He said: "Frammo likes to have his say quite a bit which the boys respect because he's been about and played for some good teams. There was no friction between us about the armband, we had a little chat at the time and we're close."

**PROFESSIONAL:** Barry Fuller

## NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL FOCUS

WITH FRED ATKINS

## Time to die?

"I've seen things you people wouldn't believe," said Rutger Hauer, moments before his death in the climactic scene of Blade Runner. "Attack ships on fire off the shoulder of Orion. I watched C-beams glitter in the dark near the Tannhäuser gate. All those moments will be lost in time, like tears in rain. Time to die."

Rutger's elementary mistake was to want to cram as many experiences as possible into a finite amount of time. If only he'd spent his time following a non-league football team, he might have been more prepared to chuck in the towel.

In the last decade, by a rough calculation I have been to Bourne Park, Sittingbourne, the "temporary" home of Maidstone United, approximately 250 times, clocking up about 7,000 miles.

During this exile, I have seen the Stones win two Kent League titles, two promotions and saw two players who would go on to become internationals.

The first was Adrian Webster, deemed not good enough for the Kent League but later selected for New Zealand and the second an afro-haired Chris Smalling, whose first act in senior football was to get mugged by a Canvey Island striker in a Ryman League Cup tie.

Most of the memories were good, yet when it was confirmed that Maidstone would return there at the start of this season, having spent two seasons at Ashford, I have to confess my heart sank slightly.

Anyone who follows a non-league football club will periodically find they ask themselves some fairly searching questions, chief among them: "What am I doing here?"

In eight seasons I'd watched as Sittingbourne's owners built their ground from scratch, while over the same period the landscape behind Blakey's Garden Shed was transformed from a rural Kentish scene, into a sprawling industrial estate.

It didn't escape my notice that while whomever could throw up a warehouse in the space of a few weeks, in a decade the county town's football club hadn't even managed to put up a set of goalposts.

Luckily for Maidstone's new owners, who believe the new ground at Whatman Way will be ready within a year, my weariness isn't contagious. Somehow the fan base has not only survived this period intact it has evolved.

After two home games Maidstone are top of the attendance league in Ryman Division One South.

Given what has, or, more specifically, what hasn't happened since plans for a ground were first unveiled in 2000, this is no small achievement.

I have seen grown men cry after losing the league at Ramsgate. A burnt out car blocking the exit at Beauwater in the Kent County League. Car stickers reading 'Back Home 2006'. I even walked from Thamesmead Town's ground to Abbey Wood station after nightfall and lived. Things even Rutger Hauer would struggle to believe.



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